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Cairo police ringing buses that were damaged Tuesday by a terrorist bomb outside the Egyptian Museum, which is frequented by tourists. No injuries were reported.

# Egypt Terrorists Set Off Bomb In 2d Attack at **Big Tourist Site**

CAIRO - A bomb on Tuesday damaged four buses parked outside the Egyptian Museam, one of the best-known tourist attractions in Cairo's biggest public square, where last month another bomb killed three people and wounded 30 others in a coffee shop.

The bombing shattered windows in several empty tourist buses, causing panic in the Tahrir public square but no casualties. Executives in the tourist industry immediately asserted that the incident was certain to wipe out what is left of Egypt's sagging tour-

Muslim extremists are targeting Egypt's large Coptic minority. Page 2.

ist trade, which has suffered severe blows from attacks and threats by several Egyptian Muslim fundamentalist terrorist groups in insurrection against the government

Tourism in Egypt is estimated by various botel managers to have dropped by 60 percent to 80 percent since October, when a British tourist was killed in an attack by Muslim fundamentalists. The terrorist suspects have been arrested and are on trial. Revenue from tourism last year brought the country \$3 billion to \$4 billion,

Cairo's deputy governor, Mobarnmed Youssef, who was at the scene of the bombing shortly after it took place at 1:05 P.M., said that the attack was still being investigated, but he asserted it was almost certainly the

work of Muslim fundamentalist terrorists. Police and anti-riot forces immediately surrounded the museum area in the large square, which is bordered by the Nile Hilton, the Foreign Ministry, the Arab League and the American University in Cairo. Authori-

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# At Least 25 Die in Calcutta as a Bomb Destroys 2 Buildings

Compiled by Our Stiff From Dispatches NEW DELHI — A bomb wrecked two buildings in Calcutta before dawn Wednesday, killing at least 25 people and injuring 100, police and news agencies reported.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the explosion, which came five days after bombs in Bombay killed more than 200 people. Calcutta, India's second biggest city, is 1,600 kilometers (1,000 miles) east of Bombay. The bomb in Calcutta ripped through a five-

story building in the central Bowbazar district, igniting a fire that trapped several people inside, according to Press Trust of India.

On Friday, 13 bombs detonated in Bombay. wrecking the stock exchange, offices and apartment buildings. No one has claimed responsibility for those blasts.

Two suspects to the explosions in Bombay.

were arrested Monday night, and two others escaped in a shoot-out at the airport as investigators explored indications that organized

crime and international terrorists had roles in

Two U.S. investigators are traveling to New Delhi to join the inquiry and look for similarities with the World Trade Center bombing. officials said.

The police also said powerful bombs that apparently failed to detonate on Friday were found Monday on two motorcycles curside shops in the gold and diamond market.

Police Commissioner Imrajit Singh Samra

said that organized crime had been linked to the blasts in Bombay, but that the use of sophisticated explosives also indicated foreign involve-

On Monday afternoon, the police tracked two men suspected of reserving the hotel rooms where bombs exploded on Friday. Both men "These would have blown up the entire gold are believed by officials to be linked to a Dubai-

and diamond markets," said the bead of the based organized-crime figure from Bombay, bomb squad, Nandkumar Chowgule. and murder.

> The police said one was a contract killer. The police surprised the men near the airport and pursued them in a gunfight that wounded one source officer and is believed to have wounded one suspect. Both suspects fled.

Two other suspects were arrested, but details

## China's Military Outlays Fan the Region's Fears

By Nicholas D. Kristof New York Times Service

BELIING - The government announced a 15 percent increase Tuesday in the military budget for this year, adding to a string of increases in military spending that are alarming neighboring countries. While China no longer faces any major threat

on its borders, its military budget this year is almost double the figure for 1988. Other Asian countries fear that China is trying to intimidate its neighbors and resolve long-standing boundary disputes in its favor.

More fundamentally, some diplomats suggest that China is trying to fill a vacuum in the Pacific following the collapse of the Soviet Union and the withdrawal of U.S. forces from the Philippines. Chinese officials made no attempt Tuesday

to justify the boost in military spending. But on Monday, Prime Minister Li Peng told the National People's Congress that China needed to turn its 3-million member army into "the best armed forces that China's conditions permit." Without citing any threats, Mr. Li said that

the army must "constantly increase its combat effectiveness and defense capabilities under

The figures for military spending were included in a budget speech presented by Finance

Minister Liu Zhongli to the Congress, now meeting for its annual session. Mr. Liu said that the budget for military spending was 42.5 billion yuan (\$7.4 billion)

this year. That sum compares to a military budget of 37 billion yuan in 1992, and 21.5 billion yuan in

Military spending increased even as Mr. Liu released ligures indicating that, by Western accounting methods, the budget delicit last year grew to \$19.8 billion, or 27 percent of revenue. Other budget items, such education, culture and health care, increased much less than military spending.

The publicly disclosed military budget includes only about half of all military spending, experts say. It does not include funds spent on acquiring new equipment, on weapons research or on relocating and supporting retired officers.

Those sums are disguised in other areas of the budget. In addition, the military has other substantial sources of income, including money from arms exports and sales of the refrigera tors, radios, clocks and other civilian items made by military-owned factories.

Even so, total military spending probably accounts for only a bit more than 3 percent of gross national product, a smaller share than in See CHINA, Page 5

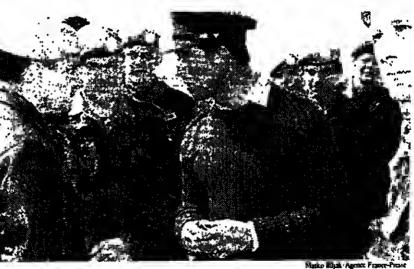
#### Kiosk GIs Are in Bosnia, **UN General Says**

PARIS (Reuters) — The UN commander in Bosnia. General Philippe Morillon, said Tuesday that two U.S. Army signal experts were in Srebrenica to guide relief airdrops. Radin France Internationale reported. The U.S. Air Force has been parachuting food and medicine to civilians m isolated Bosnian communities since March I, but this was believed to be the first disclosure that U.S. Army personnel were on the ground. Earlier article, Page 2

#### Amsterdam Out of UEFA Cup

AMSTERDAM (AP) - Although Ajax Amsterdam, the defending UEFA Cup champion, defeated Auxerre, 1-0, Tuesday, it was the French soccer club that advanced to the tournament's semifinal round on the aggregate score. Ajax's victory was not strong enough to recover lost ground after its 4-2 defeat in the first-leg match two weeks ago.

Stranded U.S. Campers Found NEW YORK (AP) - The last 24 Michigan campers stranded since the weekend storm on the East Coast were found Tuesday in the North Carolina mountains. Earlier article, Page 4



Prince Charles visiting with British troops in Croatia. On the Serbia-Bosnia border, relief convoys awaited clearance to go to besieged towns in eastern Bosnia. Page 2.

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Clinton's medical plan is intended to cover mental health costs, too. Page 3. Georgia claimed it is at war with Russia. Page 2.

Seoul, fearing the North, may seek U.S. aid. Page 6. The Socialists' savior in

France loses faith. Page 9.

Paris Fashion Winds of change are blow-ing over fashion. Page 7.

Business/Finance Olivetti stock tumbled after the company asked shareholders for a huge capital infusion. Page 11. Paris supported the franc as speculative pressures

## Mafia Linked **To Politics** In Deepening Italian Probe

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#### 3d Party Leader Quits, Investigators Spell Out **Criminal Corruption**

By Alan Cowell New York Times Service

ROME — Italy's bribery scandal clawed deeper into the government's shredded ranks Tuesday when the leader of a third political party resigned and investigators finally began detailing the incendiary ties between corrupt politicians at the heart of government and the

organized crime gangs of the south.

In Parliament, Prime Minister Giuliano Amato faced something between circus-clown slapstick and riotous revolt when legislators from rightist groups outside his government waved bangman's nooses, tossed colored sponges, donned rubber gloves, waved banners

and almost came to blows. "Resign, resign," legislators from the neofas-cist Italian Social Movement and the insurgent Northern League chanted at the Italian leader. just back from a visit to London where be delivered a lecture Monday on his country titled "The Rules of Chaos" and declared that Italy needed "an almost totally new political

The lower bouse of the Parliament endorsed his government after the rowdy debate. A motion of confidence was adopted, 295 to 248. with seven abstentions.

The changes facing the old order are mounting as magistrates in the south of the country. the electoral fief of the Christian Democrats. seem increasingly emboldened by the example of their northern colleagues and ready to probe the opaque and often bloodstained relationship between corrupt politicians, their business associates and organized crime.

On Monday, magistrates in Naples, the beartland of the Camorra organized crime families, accused three deputies of taking millions of dollars in bribes in return for contracts on a project to privatize the city's garbage collection

More significant, in Reggio Calabria, further south, magistrates accused 13 people of Malia association — a serious crime in Italy — in establishing a "business committee" of politicians, businessmen and mobsters in the city. which is dominated by a Mafia-like crime syndicate called the 'Ndrunghesa. Four of the accused were politicians already in jail for conspiring with mobsters in the 1989 assessination of a political rival.

The indictment names both a former Christian Democrat education minister. Riccardo Misasi, and the fugitive head of the 'Ndrangheta, Domenico Libri, captured in France in ing extradition hearings. It was the first time in the "clean hands" scandal that a leading mobster had been personally identified along with businessmen and politicians. Mr. Misasi has denied being implicated.

For 13 months, investigators in many cities. particularly Milan, have peeled away Italy's political facade to reveal a deep-rooted system of kickbacks and illicit donations paid by businessmen to politicians of all major parties in return for public works contracts. The scandal is the most extensive in postwar Europe. Hundreds have been arrested or placed under investigation, and public administration has all but come to a balt.

The probe, known as "mane pulite" ("clean hands"), has battered at the credibility of Italy's leaders and their institutions. Particularly hard hit bas been Mr. Amato's Socialist Party, whose leader, Bettino Craxi, was forced to resign last month under the pressure of seven separate investigations into purported misdoings that be

Additionally, Giorgio la Malfa, head of the Republican Party, quit after acknowledging that he accepted an unlawful campaign contri-

On Tuesday, it was the turn of Renato Altissimo, whose Liberal Party is a junior member of Mr. Amato's teetering, four-party coalition -- a government that stays in power only because many legislators fear its collapse would lead to elections in which they would lose their parliamentary seats and thus their immunity from

Magistrates told Mr. Altissimo that he was under investigation for accepting bribes worth \$35,000 from ENEL, the state electricity utility.

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# The Incredible Case of the Vanishing Auto Executive

By Doron P. Levin New York Times Service

DETROIT - From the moment José Ignacio Lopez de Arriortua arrived at General Motors Corp.'s headquarters from Europe nine months ago, the straitlaced U.S. automobile industry had never seen anyone so driven and so personally eccentric challenging the Motor City's protocol.

The bizarre lug of war over Mr. Lopez between GM and Volkswagen AG, which ended Tuesday with VW's confirmation that it was installing him as its high-powered purchasing and production chief, revealed just how eccentric. (Page 11) in a period of about 48 hours, Mr. López, who had been

wooed for months by VW, formally changed his decision twice about whether to leave GM, finally announcing his resignation Monday afternoon by dispatching a friend to GM beadquar-ters with a handwritten note to John F. Szeith Jr., GM's chief

The note arrived just two hours before Mr. Smith had scheduled a news conference to announce that he would name Mr. Lopez president of GM's vast North American operations, one of the most powerful jobs in American business.

The VW job, which puts Mr. López in charge of worldwide production, is thought to come with a financial package worth

\$20 million over five years, a sum unheard of except among the

Mr. López's flip-flop, which began with his formal resigna-tion from GM on Thursday, is a public embarrassment for Mr. Smith, his friend and mentor.

In one of his first acts as GM's president, Mr. Smith brough Mr. López, a Spanish industrial engineer, to Detroit, and endowed him with broad powers to shake up the No. 1 automaker's parts-making and purchasing operations. The hope was that he could repeat his cost-cutting successes that had belped Mr. Smith turn around GM's sputtering European operations in the 1980s.

Mr. López became a symbol of revolution by calling for a See ECCENTRIC, Page 13

# The New Hunt in Congress: Going After the Prolix

auto industry's top jobs.

By Maureen Dowd

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - Nothing is sacred on Capitol Hill anymore. First perks were under

attack, then pork became suspect. And now propaganda is getting a bad name. Representative Porter J. Goss, a Florida Republican, has introduced a bill proposing that his colleagues be forced to pay cash for making extraneous comments in the Congressional Record, the official transcript of what is said in the

House and Senate each day.

Denouncing what he calls runaway "propa-

and interest groups that were never delivered on the House floor, Mr. Goss suggests that members be charged \$600 each time they add anything that does not pertain to legislative

In the 103d Congress, righteousness is as fashionable as a dull red tie. An earnest freshman class, plus some zealous brethren from earlier classes, are submitting one bill after

gress deserve a bit of cushiness, some of the oldtimers are grumbling that this year is shaping up to be the political version of "The Revenge of the Nerds." The halls that were once filled with the bonhomic of logrolling and backscratching are now bristling with goody-goody

"If someone told them to cut their throats earlier classes, are submitting one bill after because it would be good for the economy, another intended to root out any remaining they're prepared to do it," said Representative

ganda" in the "Extensions of Remarks" section in the back of the Record, where lawmakers are allowed to tack on windy paeans to constituents

truffles of congressional privilege and show that lawmakers know how to sacrifice, too.

Clinging to the notion that members of Constituents by Norman Ornstein, an analysi who focuses on Congress.

"They have no idea." Mr. Rangel continued.
They're not checking with the leadership. They're just looking for clips for their newslet-ters. They're feeding on each others' enthusiasms. They have no plan, no strategy, no willlogness to sit down and see what is really meaningful.

Mr. Rangel became disillusioned with the See CHIC, Page 5

## A Chilling War Scenario

#### **Detailed Plans Uncovered by German Military** Show East Bloc's High Readiness for Offensive He added. "Our officers were deeply im-By Marc Fisher

Washington Post Service
BONN — East German and Soviet planning for a military offensive against West Germany was so detailed and advanced that the Communists had already made street signs for Western cities, printed cash for their occupation government and built equipment to run Eastern trains on Western tracks, according to documents found by the German military.

Documents covering the period from the 1960s to the mid-1980s — as well as assault equipment found in the East German regime's buge underground storage facilities - have persuaded German military planners and historians that the Soviet bloc not only seriously considered an assault but also had achieved a far higher level of readiness than Western intelligence had assumed.

Vice Admiral Ulrich Weisser, chief of the planning staff for the German armed forces, said the East German Army had "made every necessary preparation to conquer and occupy the West, and especially West Ger-

The preparations, which were regularly updated over the years, ranged from the trivial to the terrifying. East Germany's military and the Stasi secret police had printed up new street maps and signs for Western cities. Königsallee, Düsseldorf's tony avenue of furs, jewels and designer fashions, was to be dubbed Karl Marx Allee.

When Western officers took over Eastern bases after the Germanys were reunited in 1990, they found more ammunition for the 160,000-man East German force than the West German military had for its 500,000

In the town of Lehnin, about 50 kilometers (30 miles) from West Berlin, the East German military had erected a mock Western city in which East German and Soviet troops practiced for the invasion and street battles. Now a collection of abandoned. shell-pocked buildings, the "city" of Scholzenslust included a school, bank, coun-

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# Under Muslim Assault, Egypt's Coptic Christians Wonder Where to Turn

By Youssef M. Ibrahim

New York Times Service CAIRO - In a striking example of the power of Muslim fundamentalists, nearly 10 million Coptic Christians in Egypt, the largest religious minority in the Middle East and one of its most

ancient, are under siege.

Copts from all walks of life are being attacked, robbed and killed by roving bands of fundamentalists. Churches are regularly vandalized and sometimes burned, prompting the government to place virtually all of them under

As Islamic fundamentalism has become a rallying ery for opposition groups throughout the Arab world, Christian Arabs have come under pressure that in the last few years has vastly diminished their political, social and economic status in Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Iraq and Syria and among Palestinians in the territories occupied by Israel. As a result, bundreds of thousands have emigrated to the United States.

Canada, Western Europe and Australia.
The sharpening hostility toward Arab Christians is a by-product of a wider Muslim fundamentalist challenge that began in the late 1970s. Militants have made secularist Arab governments their targets, including those of Syria, Egypt, Tunisia, Algeria and Jordan, as well as Western fundamentalist nations like Saudi Arabia and others in the Gulf.

The movement, which encompasses many groups, has gradually widened its targets to

include Western interests regarded as a natural extension of secular modernization. Hostages were taken in Beirut by Muslim fundamentalists with close ties to Iran, where an Islamic government came to power in 1979. Bombs planted by fundamentalist immigrants recruited from ahroad shook France. Western airlin-

ers were hijacked. Now the United States may have become a target, too, as investigators pursue leads suggesting that Muslim fundamentalists were connected to the bombiting of the World Trade Center in New York last month.

In Egypt, with the Arab world's largest population, it is the little-known Christian minority that has become the main victim of Muslim

Copts are reckoned to be a link to Egypt's pharaonic past, direct descendants of the original inhabitants of the country. The word "Copt" has its origins in a Greek word meaning Egyptian. Christianity came to Egypt in the year 41, and the Coptic church was among the so-called Oriental churches that split with Rome in 451 in a theological dispute. After the Islamic Arab invasion of the seventh century, many Copts eventually converted to Islam.

The assaults against Copts, which have claimed 150 to 200 lives, are part of a strategy to bring down the government of President Hosni Mubarak in favor of an Islamic republic like

Militants hope to destabilize the country

with the violence, which has also claimed victims among Muslim government officials and security forces. In October, foreign tourists were added to the list of targets in an effort to devastate the tourism industry, which is vital to the Egyptian economy.

Most Egyptians, including Copts, believe the Egyptian government can contain fundamentalist violence here. But a majority of Christians and the Copic Churci leadership argue that the government fosters a climate of religious intolerance that encourages violence against them. Benign neglect and discrimination against Copts have been practiced by successive Egyptian governments, including that of Mr. Mubarak, many Copts assert.

In the last two decades, Copts have been systematically eliminated from positions as cabinet ministers, army officers, police officials, governors, bankers, parliamentary representatives and university professors.

In what many Copts see as one of most blatant examples of sanctioned discrimination, archaic laws from the Ottoman Empire have been used to ban the construction of new churches and the repair of ancient ones for nearly 30 years, severely constraining the prac-tice of Christianity in Egypt and placing a rich heritage of centuries-old monasteries, churches

A climate of fear and rejection has become pervasive enough that many Coptic women, abandoning a practice followed since Christianity came to Egypt nearly 2,000 years ago, now refrain from displaying crosses. In Cairo, Christian schools have raised the walls surrounding them by several feet for added protection. At public schools, Christian children complain they learn nothing of their religion and are often insulted, ostracized or humiliated by

militant Muslim teachers. "We are living through moments of terror," said Sabri Khalil Ghabrial, 37, a surgeon in El Minya, in southern Egypt. There are days when you go into the streets not knowing what may happen to you.

The attacks on Christians began in southern Egypt, a fiercely conservative, emotionally combustible region whose people have strong ties to the land going back centuries. In the 1980s and 90s the attacks moved to large urban centers up the valley of the Nile, including the

Amid almost weekly reports of violence against Christians, a massacre in Dairut stood out as a particularly shocking example. On May 4, 1991, a group of Muslims mowed down 13 Christian peasants with machine-gum fire as they tilled their lands outside the village. Three

other Copts were killed in town, one a doctor who was tending to a patient in his clinic.

In October, in the village of Tema, south of El Minya, four Christians were killed with axes in their bomes by Muslims. The fundamental-lists returned in greater numbers the acet devices. ists returned in greater numbers the next day and burned 64 houses and dozens of stores

owned by Christians as well as a church before

the police and firemen showed up.

Attacks claiming scores of victims have also taken place in Cairo, Alexandria, and other

"In the face of these assaults the government's reaction was always coming in too late after the people are killed, after the houses have burned down and the churches sacked," said Antoun Sidhom, editor and publisher of Watani, n weekly Coptic newspaper. "They never offered to pay compensation or provided credi-ble comfort to their Christian citizens."

In many ways, some Copts say, the ultimate shock came in October, after a British tourist was killed in an attack. The government, mindful that tourism was its single largest source of foreign revenue last year, bringing in \$3.5 billion to \$4 billion, began a huge security sweep that is still under way, resulting in the arrests of thousands of suspected militants.

Many Christians took this response as a

"It is as if the government is telling everyone, 'It's O.K. if you munch on little Copts, but don't touch the tourists,' " said Mr. Sidhom, one of a growing number of wealthy, eminent Copts who are publicly addressing discrimina-

Many Copts, perhaps a half-million in the last 10 years, have left. They include a large number of university professors, professionals and wealthy businessmen. From places like the

By Margaret Shapiro

since his political humbling last week by Russia's conservative Con-

gress, Mr. Yeltsin accused the legislature of deepening the country's political and constitutional crisis

and said he was still deciding how

But he made it clear that the

resurgence of conservative forces,

led by the Congress of People's

Deputies, posed as much of a chal-lenge to the West as it did to his

believed that the "Western world

and Western countries did not un-

derstand the reality of revanchism

until last week, when the rift be-

tween him and the Congress wid-

"Russia not only needs support today, but urgently," Mr. Yeltsin said. "We cannot wait for Tokyo in

Jone or July. It may prove too

late." He was referring to the

planned Group of Seven summit meeting in Japan this summer.

The Russian leader said he was

still "studying the scale of political

damage done to the constitutional, state structure," in the wake of the

At the same time, he warned that

Mr. Mitterrand was in Moscow

for a one-day meeting intended to

ers, rebuffed all his efforts at com-

promise and indicated that it would

go after him and his programs even more aggressively in the future.

This raised widespread fears in

Russia that the Yeltsin era and its

Rumors in Moscow and abroad

say that the Russian leader may

declare presidential rule and dis-

band the Congress, a move fraught with political risk since it is unclear

whether he could enforce such a

act. Most analysts here believe

something less extreme, such as or-

ganizing a nationwide plebiscite

The Interfax news agency report-

ed Tuesday night that Mr. Yeltsin

would convene an emergency meet-ing of his Security Council on Wednesday to discuss the situa-

Itar-Tass, meanwhile, reported that Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev had cut short a visit to Helsinki and flown to Moscow at

The president appeared to place

at least some hope for bolstering

his position on a new, high-profile infusion of foreign assistance.

A year ago, Western leaders pledged \$24 billion in aid to Russia

and other former Soviet republics,

but much of it never arrived be-

cause of disputes with the various lending agencies and countries.

Mr. Mitterrand suggested that

Group of Seven leaders swiftly

show their support by agreeing to

meet next month, instead of m July, to produce a new aid package.

He proposed that such a meeting be held immediately after Mr. Yelt-

sin's summit meeting on April 3

and 4 with President Bill Clinton in

Vancouver, British Columbia.

Mr. Yeltsin's request.

against the Congress, is likely.

changes were coming to an end.

"a scrious attempt to restore the Communist regime of the Soviets"

was under way.

ened considerably.

to respond.

United States and Canada, some are trying to call the world's uttention to the Coptic plight while pressing the Coptic Church to be more

"They don't call it the church of martyrdom for nothing," said Selim Naguib, 58, a Copt who is a high court judge in Montreal and whose doctoral thesis on Copts represented their situation as a "grave case of human right" violations being systematically perpetrated by the government." Judge Negurb's Canadian Coptic Association is trying to bring the matter

before the United Nations. "At meetings in church, people often ask me until when are we going to watch silently as they burn our churches and kill our people," said Bishop Arsanious, 63, the religious leader of the Christian communities of Minya Province, whose population of 2 million is about 20 percent Christian.

The Coptic Church leadership rejects a confrontational approach, arguing that while these are indeed hard times for Christian Arabs they are not the hardest.

are not the hardest.

"You are looking at the past year or 10 years; I am looking at 1,900 years of Coptic histor," said Fathe. Aghaton, secretary to the supreher religious leader of Egypt's Copts, Pope Shenuda III. "We have gone though horrendous periods of oppression but here we are, strong, well educated and present. The facts are that all the Copts can do is hunker down in bad times and wait until the oppression lifts." and wait until the oppression lifts."

## Georgia Claims It Is at War With Russia

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispe TBILISI, Georgia — The Geor-gian leader, Eduard A. Shevardnadze, declared Tuesday for the first time that his country was in direct military conflict with Russia, and he warned that a general mobi-

lization was possible. Mr. Shevardnadze addressed an emergency session of the Georgian parliament after Abkhazian secessionists attacked the Georgian-held capital of their breakaway province, allegedly with Russian help.

Georgian and Ahkhazian military commanders reported hundreds of casualties as fierce battles involving tanks, aircraft and heavy artillery raged along the Gumista River on the outskirts of the Black Sea city of Sukhumi.

Georgian spokesmen said 25 of their troops were killed and 52 wounded on Tuesday, Since Sunday, the fighting has claimed the lives of 107 Georgian troops and civilians, and more than 200 have been injured, they said.

No precise count of Abkhazian

casualties was available.
"Earlier, I avoided using the phrase 'Russian-Georgian con-flict,' Mr. Shevardnadze told lawmakers. "I now state that we are dealing with a Russian-Georgian

Georgia has accused Russian Ahkhazian separatists, who want to create an autonomous homeland along the Black Sea between Russia and Georgia.

Earlier, on a visit to Sukhumi, Mr. Shevardnadze said the rebels had used warplanes bearing Russian Air Force markings to bomb

The separatist command said the planes were Abkhazian. In Moscow, the Russian Defense Ministry assailed Mr. Shevardnadze's allegations as "deliberate lies with certain political goals,"

according to the Interfax press The ministry put Russian troops in Ahkhazia on high alert, with orders to shoot to kill in order to rebuff any armed attack. But it reaffirmed that the troops "remained neutral" and uninvolved in

the conflict, according to Interfax, Mr. Shevardnadze said he did not know if the Russian president, Boris N. Yeltsin, knew that the rebels had used warplanes with Russian Air Force markings and Rus-sian artillery. But he added that if the Russian leader had known, "it only makes things worse."

(AP. Reuters, AFP) and wounded up to 68 on Tuesday.

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## Yeltsin Sees 'Imminent Danger' From Parliament



President François Mitterrand of France, left, and President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia taking a toor Tuesday of the Kremlin grounds.

## Convoys Wait Despite a Serbian Pledge

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina - Serbian leaders promised Tuesday to let relief con-voys reach besieged towns in eastern Bosnia and evacuate wounded on their return trips, aid officials said. But there were signs that the convoys could be delayed yet again by a Bosnian Serbian demand that they proceed without armed escorts, UN officials said.

The developments came as Bosnia's Muslim president, Alija Izetbegovic, left Sarajevo for another round of peace talks in New York. Radovan Karadzic, the leader of Bosnian Serbs, was expected to leave later.

Sarajevo, meanwhile, suffered its heaviest Scrbian bombardment in at least three weeks. Sniper fire also increased, and Bosnian radio appealed for people to stay indoors. It said at least 20 had been wounded. A statement by Bosnian Serbian headquar-

ters, quoted by Yugoslavia's Tanjug press agency, promised safe passage for aid convoys that have been stalled for days on the Yugoslav-Bosnian border.

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truck driver.

The previous night, Jewish vigi-

drive-by shooting of an Arab in the

West Bank and Jewish settlers

rampaged through two West Bank

villages in retaliation for the deaths

of two Israelis run over by an Arab

Israel on Friday instead of Mon-

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Mr. Rabin decided to return to

were blamed for the fatal

It followed reports by UN aid officials that

JERUSALEM — Israeli soldiers

shot and killed two Palestinians

ad agreed to let the convo reach several eastern Bosnian towns cut off by Serbian forces.

Reports from the eastern enclave of Srebrenica, overflowing with an estimated 50,000 residents and refugees, said thousands were on the streets without winter clothing.
The UN commander in Bosnia, General Phi-

lippe Morillon of France, has set up operations in the town and vowed not to leave until its occupants receive aid, there is a cease-fire and civilians are allowed to evacuate.

"I renew my promise not to leave the city before I am sure that their survival is gnaranteed," he said Tnesday in an interview by radio.
A convoy of food and medicine has been stalled at the border town of Mali Zvornik since Thursday awaiting permission to reach Sre-brenica. It would be the first aid to the town, excluding U.S. Air Force airdrops, since Dec. 10. Three other convoys, for Tuzia, Sarajevo and Gorazde, also were waiting.

A spokeswoman for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, said in Belgrade that Mr. Karadzic had given assurance that the convoys

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She said Mr. Karadzic promised that all sick and wounded "including combatants if they give up their arms" could be evacuated, and that aid workers would be allowed to enter the

But Major Pepe Gallegos of the UN Protec-tion Forces in Sarajevo said the United Nations had rejected a Serbian condition that the convoy leave its armored military escort behind.

■ WEU Offers Embargo Aid

The Western European Union defense group is offering armed police and speedboats to enforce the UN embargo against Scrbia on the Danube, where barges have broken the sanctions, Reuters reported Tuesday from Brussels.

Diplomats said the agreement - which comes after Romania appealed for help in enforcing the embargo — was reached in principle at a meeting of WEU ambassadors in Brussels.

Sources said it was hoped the police force could be in place within a few weeks.

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killed by army gunfire, Arab re-

In the West Bank refugee camp

of Nur Shams, Jewish settlers opened fire from their car late Monday, killing Nasser Ali Abu

Fisheh, 22, Arab reports said. In two West Bank villages near Nablus, Jewish settlers smashed

cars in retaliation for the traffic death of two Israelis on Monday.

Army officials said they did not know whether it was an accident or

if the Arab driver meant to kill the

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Several hours later, rioting erupt-

abs, the officials said.

## WORLD BRIEFS

#### Beijing Envoy Defects to Sweden

STOCKHOLM (AP) — A Chinese diplomat and his wife fled Russia on an overnight passenger ferry and applied for political asylum in Sweden, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said Tuesday. Wang Liji, China's consul-general in St. Petersburg, arrived in Stockholm over the weekend and contacted the police on Monday, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said. He said the couple arrived on tourist visas and were staying in a hotel. Several Chinese diplomats defected immediately after the democracy movement was crushed in 1989, but prior to that, defections were rare. The Stockholm police inspector, Nils-Erik Pahlstedt, predicted the asylum request would be "expedited in a week," although most applications take three months to process. Washington Past Service
MOSCOW — President Boris N. Yeltsin said Tuesday that a resurgence of Communist forces posed an "imminent danger" to Russian reforms and appealed to the West to speed up new economic assis-tance rather than wait for a planned July summit meeting that "may prove too late." tions take three months to process. . In his first public comments

#### Kurds in Turkey Call for a Cease-Fire

BRUSSELS (Reuters) — Turkey's Kurdish separatists said Tuesday that they were ready to end their armed struggle for an independent state and called for a cease-fire.

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But Ali Sapan, a spokesman for the Kurdistan National Liberation
Front, the political wing of the Kurdistan Workers Party, said at a news
conference here that if Turkey rejected the proposal, the Kurdis would
"intensify and resume the war all over Kurdistan."

He said the party was now a political force representing millions of
people in Kurdistan and added that the Front supported the party's

political position and principles. Mr. Sapan urged European governments to cooperate with the party and seek a "just and peaceful solution."

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#### Speaking at a news conference with President François Mitter-rand of France, Mr. Yeltsin said he German Firm Tied to Libya Gas Plant FRANKFURT (AFP) - A number of European companies are helping build a chemical gas factory in Libya, the Frankfurter Allgemeine

Zeitung reported Tuesday.

Some German companies have unwittingly delivered equipment to be used in the production of chemical weapons, the daily added. The goods were believed to have been shipped to Libya through four Thai companies.

nies and two front companies in Hong Kong and Singapore, it said.

The newspaper said the public prosecutor might take action against a Linen machine-building company. The company. Westfalia-flercont Industrietechnik, said it was not aware of the end use of the equipment it supplied. The paper said the equipment had been used to build a tunnel as part of the poison gas factory under construction at Tarhuna, 65 kilometers (40 miles) southeast of Tripoli.

#### Abortion Ban Takes Effect in Poland

WARSAW (AP) - Poland's ban on most abortions went into effect Tuesday as doctors warned of a dangerous medical underground and

The law, signed by President Lech Walesa in February, ends 37 years of abortion on demand in Poland and stipulates a two-year prison term for doctors performing the procedure. In the 1980s, when contraceptives, housing and optimism were in the shortest supply, an estimated 500,000 abortions were being performed annually, ending one in two pregnancies. The law allows abortions only when doctors certify that the pregnancy endangers the mother's life, it is the result of rape or incest, or prenatal

tests show the fetus to be seriously, irreparably damaged.

#### show Western support for Mr. Yeltsin in his power struggle with the Congress, which last week cur-tailed the Russian president's pow-Somali Factions Clash in Kismayu

MOGADISHU, Somalia (WP) - Somalia's precarious cease-fire suffered a scrious blow Tuesday when one armed faction drove another out of the southern port town of Kismayn, Belgian soldiers who were there in tanks were unable to stop the fighting because civilians were in the way, a

U.S. military spokesman said. The battle erupted on the second day of peace talks between Somali factions in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Many analysts here feared the

fighting could disrupt the discussions. About 300 soldiers loyal to a military leader known as General Mohammed Said Hersi Morgan expelled about 50 soldiers backing another factional figure. Colonel Omar Jess. The spokesman said he had no casualty figures but that intense shooting had rocked the city.

#### **UN Blames Khmer Rouge in Killings**

PHNOM PENH (Reuters) — The UN peacekeeping force in Cambodia on Tuesday officially blamed Khmer Rouge guerrillas for the massacre last week of ethnic Vietnamese civilians. Up to 38 people, including many women and children, died in the March 10 massacre, which took place near the northwestern town of Siem Reap. "All indications are that the armed attackers were NADK elements,"

said Eric Palt, spokesman for the UN Transitional Authority in Cambodia, referring to the National Army of Democratic Kampuchea, or

"We're confident of the exactimde of the findings," he said, adding that the conclusion was based on witness testimony. "The sole motive for the attack seems to have been to terrorize and to kill."

#### TRAVEL UPDATE

A weeklong Paris Métro strike ended after drivers protesting a job restructuring plan suspended their action. The Communist-led General Labor Confederation, or CGT, said it was canceling its call to pursue the twice-daily rush hour stoppages after three other unions announced late Monday that they were satisfied with proposals submitted by the trans-

Scandinavian Airlines System will begin smoke-free European flights for a six-month trial period, starting March 28.

Japan plans to remodel and expand the first terminal at Narita airport near Tokyo to ease passenger congestion. A second terminal was opened in December but the old building built more than 20 years ago, needs to be expanded to cope with the rising traffic.

The storm that dumped a foot of snow on Washington will delay the blooming of the cherry trees along the Tidal Basin, a harbinger of spring, the National Park Service said. The blossoms are expected to appear harmon April 8 of 120 cm. between April 8 and 12, instead of by April 5.

# 3 Guilty of Raping a Retarded Girl in U.S.

After eight days of deliberations, the jury found Christopher Archer, 21, and Kevin Scherzer, 22, guilty of two counts of rape, legally called first-

degree aggravated sexual assault.

The youths were charged with sexually assaulting the girl with a baseball bat and broomstick.

ternal twin, guilty of one count of rape, Mr. Archer and Mr. Scherzer were also found guilty of second-

years in prison with a minimum of 15 years before being eligible for parole. Mr. Grober faces a maximum of live years in prison.

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NEWARK, New Jersey - Three of four young men were found guilty Tuesday of raping a mildly retarded girl four years ago in a case that shocked the suburban community in New Jersey where they

considered rape under New Jersey law.

The jury also found Kyle Scherzer, Kevin's fra-

degree conspiracy to commit rape.

The fourth defendant Bryant Grober, 21, was acquitted of the main charges but was found guilty of third-degree conspiracy.

Mr. Archer and both Scherzers face up to 30

The incident took place in the basement of the Scherzer borne in 1989.

#### Congressional Panels Start Belt-Tightening

WASHINGTON — Staff positions are being cut, travel is being curtailed, long-distance calls are being scrutinized. In short, the beittightening police are descending on congressional committees, and not even subscriptions to journals and newspapers are safe.

"We're going to have to watch the pennies very carefully," said Geryld B. Christianson, staff director of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. "I'm just not going to be able to have a newspaper

lying around in every reception room, in every nook and cranny."

The Senate has voted to cut committee budgets by 7.6 percent below 1992 levels, putting total spending for 1993 at \$55.7 million.

Mr. Christianson said he had instructed the Foreign Relations staff to cut back on travel, watch long-distance calls and draw more heavily on witnesses from the Washington-New York axis for committee hearings. The committee also will have to drop six employees from its staff of 69, he added. "Obviously, people are not were harmy about this" he said.

#### Small Bird, Big Test for California Ecceystem

RANCHO SANTA MARGARITA, California — The Clinton administration is facing the first test of its promise to save endangered species and serve economic interests. The instrument of that test is a four-inch-long songbird that meows like a kitten and lives in

what is left of the coastal sage scrub of Southern California.

The blue-gray bird, the California gnatesteher, has emerged as a national symbol of a possible new method of saving such species while preventing what Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt calls "national train wrecks," like the dispute over the northern spotted owl in the Dacific Monthern. the Pacific Northwest.

In a rare arrangement, developers, conservationists and govern-

in a rare arrangement, developers, conservationists and government officials are working together to preserve an entire ecosystem, rather than haggling over emergency measures prescribed by the Endangered Species Act to save single species.

They are trying to find a compromise in which developers would be allowed to destroy parts of the bird's habitat if they agree to set aside enough crucial land to sustain the bird and its corrent ecosystem. Last month, Mr. Babbitt told a congressional hearing that he considered the California plan a model for the nation.

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The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service faces a Wednesday deadline to rule on whether the gnatcatcher is endangered or threatened, so Mr. Babbitt is likely to let the deadline pass, federal and state officials say, allowing more time to study the delicate issue. (NYT)

#### Telephone Calls and Mail Inundate Congress

WASHINGTON - Almost without lettsp, the phone calls pour into Ilisa Halpern's headset as she sits in the office of Senator Dianne Feinstein, Democrat of California, typing the caller's name, address and comments onto a computer screen.

After each call, she sends the message to the computer's memory bank. Each day, the messages — as many as 1,000, which are recorded by up to 10 of Senator Feinstein's 60 aides — are automatically sorted by issue, printed out and placed on the senator's desk. Accompanying the phone calls are a flood of letters, postcards and mailgrams. In a recent week, the senator received 9,000 letters and 50,000 postcards and mailgrams - far more than her predecessor,

John Seymour, ever got in a week.

The outpouring is all over Capitol Hill. Senate and House offices are being hit with twice as many calls this year as last — 4.2 million compared with 1.9 million in the first month alone, officials say.

Mail to lawmakers has soured past 400 million pieces a year.

The surge is fed by several forces, including radio and television talk shows and the example of direct-voter-participation efforts of candidates in the 1992 presidential election.

But the principal cause, which concerns many because of its potential for manipulation, is the "grass-roots" lobbying of special interests. In the not-so-distant past, members of Congress identified hot issues from a handful of constituent letters. Now, numerous interest groups have sophisticated electronic networks that can generate an astonishing volume of calls and letters. (LAT)

President Bill Climon at a news conference with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel: "Israel's security must be assured: The Israeli people cannot be expected to make peace onless they see!

#### **Away From Politics**

 Federal prosecutors in Los Angeles rested their case against four white police officers accused of violating the civil rights of Rodney G. King, whose videotaped beating by the police officers during his arrest after a high-speed chase hortified the nation.

A fire at a hotel for transients in Chicago killed 13 people and injured at least 26, some of whom jumped from their rooms to escape

• Representative George E. Brown Jr., Democrat of California, warned that, by ordering a redesign of NASA's planned space station, the administration may end up not only killing the centerpiece of the U.S. manned space flight program but also dooming prospects for leading international "big science" projects.

A newspaper reporter in Stuart, Florida, began serving 30 days in jail for refusing to identify the source who gave him a confidential child-custody order. The reporter is Tim Roche, 24.

 The Los Angeles school system, the nation's second-largest, voted unanimously to shift authority to individual schools and hold principals and teachers accountable for students' performance. · Organizers of Boston's St. Patrick's Day Parade were rebuffed in a

renewed effort to stop the Irish-American Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Group of Boston from marching Sunday in the annual event. • Two dozen reputed associates of the Luchese, Genovese and DeCavalcante crime families were charged with running a gambling and drug-dealing operation in New Jersey and New York, prosecu-

· A research study paid for by the Southern California Edison power company found no increase in cancer rates among utility workers exposed to electromagnetic fields, although other studies have linked the fields to increased risks of leukemia and brain cancer, particularly among children living near power lines and transformers.



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## Clinton's Plan Would Cover Mental Health Costs, Too

By Robert Pear New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - As part of its plan to revamp the national health-care system, the Clinton administration wants to guarantee mental health coverage, long relegated to second-class status under private insurance policies.

Many administration officials are determined to eliminate what they see as discriminatory treatment of mental illness by insurers. Private insurance policies often restrict coverage of mental health care, setting innits on the number of days of hospitalization, the number of outpatient visits or the total amount that may be spent for a person in a year or a lifetime.

In addition, under private insurance - as under Medicare, the federal program for the elderly and disabled — beneficiaries must usually pay 50 percent of the bills for outpatient mental health services. compared with 20 percent for physical ailments.

Confidential work papers from the President's Task Force on National Health Care Reform, headed by Hillary Rodham Clinton, show that the administra-

tails, including the precise scope of mental health coverage, the role of state mental hospitals, or how much of the new coverage mould be role of state mental hospitals. much of the new coverage would be provided by the government and how much by private insurers.

Likewise, the administration has not decided how to pay for the new services, or even whether spending for mental health care should be part of the general health

budget or carved out in a separate category.

Currently, the federal government is responsible for about one-fourth of the 567 billion spent each year on mental health care nationwide. State and local governments, private insurers and patients pay the rest. The administration estimates that the new services

would cost \$6.5 billion a year, for an increase of about 10 percent of the total. Potential sources of revenue listed in the documents include "taxes on liquor, cigarettes, firearms and ammunition," and assets seized from drug dealers.
In a confidential report titled "Health Care Reform

"The division of diseases into medical and mental Institute of Mental Health. types becomes more arbitrary with every new study." said the report's authors, including several experts from the National Institute of Mental Health now on ness under private health insurance policies. the task force.

The report says that 6 million people - more than 5 million adults and 992,000 children under age 18 — insulin can get it, but someone with manic depressive have severe mental disorders. Of these, it says, 64 illness who needs lithium cannot." percent have private insurance, though it is rarely

President Bill Clinton has said that by May I be will send Congress a detailed proposal to control health costs and to guarantee coverage for all Americans, including more than 35 million with no health

force, has been insisting that people with mental

tion is considering covering a wide range of mental for Americans With Severe Mental Illnesses," the bealth services, including treatment of severe mental illnesses, alcohol abuse and drug abuse.

for Americans With Severe Mental Illnesses," the illness receive equitable treatment under whatever plan emerges. Mrs. Gore, who has bachelor's and illnesses, alcohol abuse and drug abuse.

mental illnesses are both real and definable," More-master's degrees in psychology, works closely with the panel's subcommittee on mental health, headed by Dr. Bernard S. Arons, a psychiatrist from the National

Mrs. Gore said she was determined to end the "unfair and discriminatory treatment" of mental ill-

Sally J. Aman, a spokeswoman for Mrs. Gore, said: There is no good reason why a diabetic who needs

Work papers of the presideot's task force say there should be "no arbitrary or special limits on amount and duration of mental health services."

Some members of Congress agree, Senator Pete V. Domenici, a conservative Republican from New Mexico who has spent his legislative career trying to reduce the federal deficit, has introduced a bill that says Tipper Gore, the wife of Vice President Al Gore and coverage of severe mental illnesses must be "commental mental health adviser to the administration's task surate with the protection provided for other

## U.S. Praises Report on Salvador, but Ex-Aides Are Skeptical

By Clifford Krauss

New York Times Service WASHINGTON - The Clinton administration has praised a United Nations report charging the Salvadoran Army with gross human rights abuses. But it stopped short of drawing the conclusion that the Reagan and Bush administrations, which strongly supported the Salvadoran military in its war with leftist guerrillas, bore some responsibility.

We feel that the report is important in terms of revealing the truth, and that revealing the truth has to be a key element of an act of national reconciliation," said Richard A. Boncher, the State Department

Asked if the Reagan and Bush administrations failed to protect human rights in El Salvador, Mr. Boucher said: "That's something that the analysts and

The report did not explicitly hold Washington responsible for human rights violations, and generally did not discuss U.S. involvement in the war. But by offering a severely critical account of involvement by the Salvadoran military in massacres and political assessinations, it raised questions about what American officials did to stop those abuses.

The report also implicated several Salvadoran officers, most prominently the former defense minister, General René Emilio Ponce, in strocities before and after they were promoted through the ranks with Washington's support

commission that prepared the report gave the accused

the historians can try to judge. I'm not going to try to no chance to defend themselves and that it did out make that judgment at this point."

Salvadoran military was critical in halting the advance of the Markist guerrillas, the Farabundo Marti Nathere were violent and criminal elements of which we tional Liberation Front, and that the rebels would have installed a more authoritarian regime.

Abrams, assistant secretary of state for inter-American affairs from 1985 to 1989. "You cannot make a the U.S.-trained Adacatl Battalion." human rights argument for abandoning the Salvador-an government in the early 1980s and permitting a Liberation Front victory. When the Carter administration left office, there were roughly 800 death-squad Former U.S. officials who dealt with El Salvador killings a month; and, by extremely hard work, we greeted the report with skepticism, arguing that the reduced that by 95 percent. That's a pretty good

But in referring to the Salvadoran Army, Thomas O. Enders, assistant secretary of state for inter-American The officials also argued that their support of the affairs from 1981 to 1983, conceded: "There is no there were violent and criminal elements of which we had no control."

Mr. Enders has come under criticism for denying "It's hadicrous to say we didn't care," said Elliont reports by two American journalists of the 1982 mas-

"The irony of this," he said, "is that if we had known of the extent of this terrible thiog at the time, we would have probably so recoiled in horror, we would not have been able to encourage the Salvadorans to go forward with elections and transform their society." Between 1979 and 1992, the United States poured more than \$6 billion toto El Salvador.

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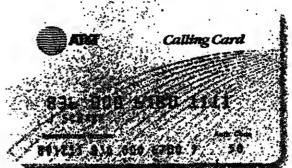
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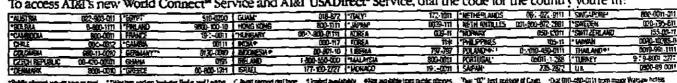


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## **U.S. Drops Foreign Funding** As Link in Trade Center Blast

By Jim McGee and Michael Isikoff

Washington Past Service
WASHINGTON — Senior federal officials say they have uncovcred information that suggests the \$8,000 transferred to the account of suspects in the World Trade Center bombing was innocent in origin and does not link them to an international terrorist organization, as they initially had suspected.

One senior official said the money apparently was sent to Mohammed A. Salameh, who is being held on charges of aiding and abetting the Feb. 26 bombing, by a relative after Mr. Salameh was in an acci-

When the funds transfer from Germany was discovered last week, a number of federal and police officials said it suggested the bombing might be the result of an international conspiracy linked to funda-

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mentalist Muslims. Three suspects have been arrested in the case.

Mr. Salameh, a Jordanian, was arrested six days after the bombing. Investigators said he rented a van that was blown up in the explosion. Nidal A. Avyad, who had a joint bank account with Mr. Salameh, was arrested last week. Mr. Ayyad, a Kuwaiti of Palestinian origins, is a chemical engineer who lives in New Jersey. A third suspect, Ibrahim Elgabrowny, was charged with

obstructing justice when agents tried to search his residence shortly after Mr. Salameh was arrested. Investigators have said that Mr. Salameb is a follower of a fundamentalist (slamic cleric, Sheikh Omar Abdel Rahman. A lawyer for Mr. Salameh reiter-

ated Monday, however, that his client was not a follower of the cleric and that he had attended many mosques, among them one at which Mr. Rahman preached.

"There is no evidence anywhere that Mr. Salameh and Mr. Rahman were close in any sense," said the lawyer, Robert Precht. "I can tell you Mr. Salameh has expressed several times the fact that, while be respected Mr. Rahman as a cleric, he had several differences of opinion, that he did not agree with Mr. Rahman about a number of sub-jects. Mr. Salameh certainly didn't regard himself as a follower or a close follower of Mr. Rahman."

#### **Quake Hits Northwest Iran**

NICOSIA - An earthquake measuring 5.5 on the Richter scale shook the northwest Iranian city of Tabriz but caused no casualties or damage, the IRNA press agency reported Tuesday.

At least six people died in the Feb. 26 bombing and more than 1,000 were injured.

Some investigators said they thought they had a major break in the case when they discovered that Mr. Salameb had received payments from an unknown source in Germany. But a senior official cautioned Monday that the source of

the funds apparently was "benign."

"Allegedly, Salameh had an accident and he needed money and a relative helped him out," said the official. It is not clear why the two men, Mr. Salameh and Mr. Ayvad,

had a joint account.

A second official familiar with the unfinished investigation of the financial transactions said "we are all uncertain about" what relevance, if any, the funds will have to the bombing. Meanwhile, William H. Webster.

a former head of both the CIA and the FBI, questioned assertions that the publicly available evidence points toward international terrorism. "I think we should be careful about rushing to judgment on this," Mr. Webster said during testimony before a House Foreign Affairs subcommittee.

The FBI assistant director James M. Fox. and the New York City police commissioner, Raymond W. Kelly, reiterated in interviews in New York that there was no direct evidence that the bombing was sponsored by a bostile government or fomented by an international terrorist group.

Mr. Fox also repeated that there was no evidence implicating Mr.

tured prominently in news cover-age about the investigation. Mr. Fox said "We have no evidence at

this point linking the sheikh direct-

ly to the bombing.

#### Short Takes Rahman, who continues to be fea-

Training in emergency-room medicine was not offered by training hospitals until 1970, Today, 98 such residency programs exist. Recognition came with the

**AMERICAN TOPICS** 

#### By 2050, Washington Might Be a New Town

The National Capital Planning Commission is preparing a long-range design for central Washington that provides for crecting a new U.S. Supreme Court building away from Capitol Hill, among other things.

Such a building, if the justices of the Supreme Court were to desire larger quarters, might be constructed in a new urban core on the banks of the Anacostia River. The commission said this distancing from both the Congress and the White House would better symbolize the separation of powers in the federal government

This and other proposals by the commission, such as moving three busy bridges, would trans-form the center of Washington at monumental cost and disruption. It could not be carried out without approval and financing by Congress. The program has been greeted by some as visionary and derided by others as piein-the-sky.

The commission is the central planning agency for the federal government in the national capi-tal region. Its proposals are part of an exercise in thinking about the future of Washington's "Monumental Core" through the



IN YOU GO - The Reverend Jesse Jackson being arrested in New York for civil disobedience during a protest over the plight of HIV-positive Haitians being barred from U.S. entry.

return of military doctors from Korea and Vietnam, where emer-gency techniques reached a new peak. Emergency medicine was recognized as a medical specialty in 1979. Of the 25,000 practicing emergency physicians in the United States, 11,570 are certified specialists. "Thus," says the Los Angeles Times, "a medical oxymoron was created, a specialty composed of generalists."

Why don't people whose systems can't tolerate cow's milk just switch to goat's milk? Because it probably wouldn't help. Usually the difficulty is the individual's lack of the enzyme lactase, which digests the sugar lactose. The lac-tose content is the same for the milk of goats, cows and most other mammals. The only excep-tion is bear's milk, said Dr. Josepb Levy, chief of pediatric gas-troenterology at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Cen-ter, "but that is hard to get."

Mike Mansfield, a U.S. sena-tor from Montana for 33 years and U.S. ambassador to Tokyo for 11, turned 90 this week. He walks six or seven miles (up to 11 kilometers) a day, wears no hearing aid, uses glasses only for reading and has an almost flaw-less memory for names and figures. Asked if he had any advice, he told The Washington Post, "Not exactly, except you should never take yourself too seriously. If you win in politics, you don't win on the basis of your charm, or your education, or your good looks. There are a thousand people out there who know more than you do, who could probably do a better job, but they didn't

get the breaks.

"And recognize there are two sides to almost every issue. Sometimes, the other side is right - it doesn't do any harm to

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# U.S. Storm Losses Put at \$800 Million

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK—A leading insur-ance rating service has estimated strength." that losses to insurance companies from the winter storm that struck

the East Coast during the weekend would come close to \$800 million. The death toll reached 184 on Tuesday as officials throughout the region continued to search for victims or simply struggled to get people get back to work.

The storm increased anxiety

among Florida officials about already rising premiums and lack of availability of homeowners' policies in that state after the destruction by a hurricane last summer. The latest storm, officials added,

could make homeowners insurance more expensive and harder to find in heavily developed storm-prone coastal areas, such as New York's Long Island.

A.M. Best Co. of Oldwick, New

Jersey, which made the \$800 million estimate, said it based it on a comparison of damage by the weekend's storm with two other storms: the series of tornadoes that hit 11 Southern and Midwestern states in November and the De-cember storm that brought high winds and flooding in Northeastern coastal sections. Those storms caused \$425 million and \$650 million in insured damages.

John H. Snyder, senior vice pres-

ident of A.M. Best's property casumost-recent dollar losses, including wind damage to homes and destruction of crops, to be more severe in the South than last year's tornadoes, yet less expensive to property in the Northeast than Description of th

ter part of the last three years," Mr. weapons had been found.

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The hurricane last summer re-sulted in more than \$15 billion in insurance claims, while a hurricane that battered the East Coast in

1989 led to \$4.3 billion in claims. Word was still awaited on the fate of 24 campers caught in the blizzard over the weekend while on a high school outing in the Appala-

In addition to the deaths — reported from Cuba to Canada — 32 crewmen were missing after a freighter sank Monday off Nova Scotia, and 16 sailors were missing

off Florida. It was one of the worst U.S. snowstorms this century. In 1958, storm left 171 people dead in 1958. East. A 1966 East Coast storm killed 165. In 1988, 400 people died. in a March blizzard that dumped up to 5 feet (1.5 meters) of snow in the East. (NYT, AP)

#### Kaunda's Son Seized. Subversion Is Alleged

LUSAKA, Zambia - The eldest son of the former president, Kenneth Kaunda, has been arrested, the police said Tuesday. He is the alty division, said he expected the third of the former leader's children detained over an alleged sub-

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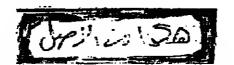
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# Dissident Iranian, Ex-Diplomat, Is Slain in Rome

ROME — An exiled Iranian opposition official was slain on the streets of Rome on Tuesday when two men on a motor scooter pulled up to his car in rush-hour traffic and blasted

him in the face with bursts from an automatic rifle, the police The official, Mohammed Hussein Nagdi, 42, a former Iranian diplomat who defected to Tehran's opponents a decade ago, died as the police tried to get him to a hospital after what Iranian exiles called a further episode in the underground war between Iran's Islamic leaders and their

The Mujahidin Khalq, an opposition group with offices in many capitals, including Washington, blamed the regime of President Hashemi Rafsanjani of Iran for the killing, which recalled a similar killing of a senior mujahidin figure in Switzerland three years ago.

CHINA:

Stronger Military

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many countries. Other Asian coun-

tries are nervous, however, largely because China has boundary dis-putes with at least seven of its neighbors and has been aggressive

lately in pressing its claims.

Diplomats and other military ex-

perts say that among the improved

weapons systems China is building on its own or obtaining from Rus-

sia or other countries are lighter

planes, surface-to-air missiles, de-

stroyers, frigates, tanks and radar

equipment. Chinese documents

also say that the country will ac-

abroad that China is becoming a

threat, officials in Beijing have

launched a vigorous counteroffen-

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ern countries have deliberately spread slanderous rumors that Chi-

na is building up its national de-

fense to a level 'seemingly beyond a capability for defense,' "the offi-

cial Xinhua press agency com-

Prime Minister Li referred to

such analyses in a meeting last

month with a former U.S. secretary

of state. Alexander M. Haig Jr.,

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as a factor in rising military spend-

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An analysis published in Decem-

ber by the China Institute for Con-

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which is sponsored by the govern-

ment's intelligence agency, said: "China has also taken note of the

destabilizing factors in the adjacent

areas and has to increase its de-

fense capability moderately when

these destabilizing factors, they probably include the upheavals in

Central Asia and the competition

among neighboring countries for the islands in the South China Sea.

ly those from countries that are not

djacent to China — also say that it

is natural for a country to boister

its military spending as its overall

economy grows.

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subway entrances

Invasion Plans

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If a combined East German and

Soviet force had moved to conquer

West Berlin and West Germany

according to plan, the West would

have been initially "outmanned, outarmed and overwhelmed," Vice Admiral Weisser said. "The operaoonal planning was far more advanced than anything our intelli-gence had envisioned."

In vast cellars previously unknown to the West, according to officials, the East Germans kept

huge arsenals, including weapons

vehicles and railroad equipment

that would have allowed East Ger-

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diately on West German rails, which were built to different stan-

On "Day X," as the plan called the day of invasion, specific units were assigned to tasks such as cap-turing U.S. British and French military bases in West Berlin, shut-

ting down airports and taking over

the city's radio and TV stations,

newspapers. museums, telephone

switching stations, churches and

The plan envisioned 32,000 troops invading a West Berlin that would be defended by 12,000 allied

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At that time, Kazem Rajavi, an elder brother of Massoud Rajavi, the mujahidin leader, was slain in Geneva. French police arrested two men in connection with the killing in November, In recent years, many other Iranian exiles have been slain in Europe and elsewhere, including a former prime minister, Shahpur Baknoar, who was stabbed to death near Paris in August 1991.

"We are sure that this is another of the Rafsanjani regime's terrorist acts," said Mehry Moussavi, the London representative of the mujahidin. The Iranian press agency, IRNA, however, said Mr. Nagdi was "most probably a victim of intergroup differences" within the exiled opposi-

Mujahidin officials in Washington, speaking by telephone, said Mr. Nagdi was not a member of their organizanon but headed the Rome office of the Nanonal Council of Resistance of Iran, a mujahidin-dominated umbrella group.

The Mujahidin Khalq was one of several groups that fought to overthrow the shah in Iran's 1979 revolution and later lost out to Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini's forces in the ensuing power struggle.

Since then, it has waged a propaganda war on the Tehran regime from its offices in the West and also boasts a military force, with bases in Iraq, that has staged cross-border raids

The killing coincided with the start of a trial in Venice in which some 30 Italian bankers, industrialists and secret service officers are accused of making illegal arms sales to Iran worth \$130 million in contravention of an embargo during its war with Iraq from 1980 to 1988.

The accused include the former president and director general of the Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, whose Arlanta branch has also been implicated in illegal credits to Iraq during the same period.

-- ALAN COWELL

#### **EGYPT:** Terror Bombing

(Continued from page 1) ties allowed the museum to stay open, bowever.

The militant fundamentalist tertorisis, known under the general designation of Islamic Group, have repeatedly signaled their responsibility for scores of fatal attacks against Egyptian officials. Coptic Christians, tourists and lately foreign businesses with the aim of shaking Egypt's economy in an attempt to bring down the govern-ment of President Hosni Mubarak.

The attack in Egypt coincided with increasing fundamentalist assaults elsewhere

Over the last few weeks several bombing attributed to Islamic fundamentalists have rocked Kuwait. 100, destroying video rental stores, a favorite target of fundamentalist terrorism in the Arab world. On Friday a bomb exploded near the Holiday Inn. close to Kuwait's international airport. No group claimed responsibility.

The explosion in Cairo came

from a small bomb placed beneath one of five tourist buses parked outside the museum, which is the bome of world's finest collection of pharaonic art.

The terror campaign is begin-ning to shake the confidence of the large foreign business and diplomatic community that lives in Egypt, especially after the Muslim terror groups warned publicly of their plans to add foreign businesses to their targets.

The terror groups have vowed to destroy Egypt's sources of revenue unless the government accedes to their demands, which include the establishment of an Iran-style Is-

Al Ahram, the Cairo daily, reported Tuesday that a primitive bomb had been found and defused in a building in the suburb of Mandi, which is inhabited by foreigners, mostly Americans.

Foreign embassies, including that of the United States, have been warning foreigners to take special security precautions against the wave of terrorism.

- YOUSSEF M. IBRAHIM

## South Africa Faces An AIDS Epidemic

New York Times Service

JOHANNESBURG - Three ic, plague, and doomsday hegan appearing in South African newspapers, some experts on AIDS thought South Africa had a unique opportunity to avoid the catastrophe that had befallen other African countries.

The slow sweep of the AIDS vicreated by the sanctions against the apartheid government, they said. mean: South Africa had time to see

the menace coming and head it off.
It has not worked out that way.
HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, called in bas colonized South Africa as relentlessly as it has the rest of the continent, abetted by apartheid's children: neglect, fatalism, and mistrust.

By conservative estimates, 300,000 people, mostly black heterosexuals, are infected with the virus, and it is spreading to at least 300 new carriers daily. In about 5,000 cases so far, the virus has erupted into AIDS.
"South Africa has moved from

the pre-epidemic to the epidemic phase, the point where the curve your boyfriend." rises rapidly," said Malcolm Steinberg, who oversees AIDS programs for the South Africa Medical Research Council.

There are also advances in the campaign against the virus - notably, a belated concord between the government and the African National Congress on AIDS strategy but most experts now say that the virus is bound to run the devastating course that has become Africa's norm. It will hit its murderous stride just as a new multiracial democracy tries to find its feel.

Peter Doyle, an analyst for Metropolitan Life Ltd., an insurance company whose forecasts are widely respected, predicts that by the end of the decade, 3 million people - more than 10 percent of the adult population — will carry the virus, and that 160,000 will be sick with the disease. The viral ode will still be rising.

Five years later, about one in four adults will carry the infection. Mr. Boyle estimates. Caring for the AIDS-afflicted will consume up to three-fourths of the national health budget, a study by the Medical Research Council found.

Despite the warning, South Africa still lags behind other African countries in combatting the epi-demic. Neighboring Botswana, for example, no richer than South Africa. spends three times as much per capita on the prevencion and treat-ment of AIDS.

South Africa has blocked compulsory AIDS education in schools, which is common in other African years ago, when words like epidem- countries, and has inhibited the advertising of condoms on television and radio.

Johanna Witbooi first heard of the disease in October 1991 when her doctor told her she had the virus. Now, hunched over her darning in Sacred Heart House, a Catholic hospice for AIDS patients, wizrus southward from its equatorial ened and immobilized by epicenter and the social quarantine tuberculosis, she says the disease is regarded with such superstition in her black township that her husband and children refuse to com-

"My little sister came," she recalled in a voice hollow with resignation. "She told me: 'All these people are afraid to visit you. They think it will have them also."

In the province of Natal, a bub of migrant labor and border commerce that is rife with the infection. a researcher recently sent students to family-planning clinics to ask for instructions about condoms. The clinic's staff members, the front line in prevencion, typically replied with comments like "If you don't know how to use them, you shouldn't be having sex." and "Ask

Natalie Stockton, who recently took over as director of the government's AIDS prevention unit, has won praise for putting the campaign on a more aggressive footing. But she describes the virus as part of a "total paradigm" iocluding poverty, violence, illiteracy, and the powerlessness of women.

#### Police and Cult Talk Face to Face

The Associated Press WACO, Texas - Negotiators for the first time met face-to-face with leaders of the armed and barricaded Branch Davidian religious cult, the FBl said Tuesday, the 17th day of the standoff.

The cult leader, David Koresh. did not take part in the meeting Monday, which centered on the bealth of some cult members, legal issues and messages, said an FBI agent, Dick Swensen, Mr. Koresh wounded in the shootout that began the siege, said he is "too sick to move," Mr. Swensen said.

Steve Schneider, Mr. Koresh's deputy, and a cult member, Wayne Martin, who is a lawyer, met for an hour outside the compound with an FBI negotiator and the McLennan County sheriff, Jack Harwell, Mr. Swensen said. He added that the meeting had been sought by the FBI "to get the conversation mov-

A delegate at the National People's Congress in Beijing, who did not conceal finding Tuesday's budget speeches tedious going.

## CHIC: To Put it Rather Longwindedly, They're Going After the Prolix Members of Congress

#### (Continued from page 1)

idea that "reform" was a magic word when, egged on by the Reiblicans and some Democrats, the House voted in January to start streamlining its operations by killing select committees, including the one on Narcotics Abuse and Control that he headed.

In the Democratic cloakroom the other day, another senior congressman reflected the paranoia in some quarters when he approached Representative Eric D. Fingerhat, a freshman from Cleveland who won office on a platform of cleaning up Corgress. Mr. Fingerhot is now co-chairman of the Democratic New Members' Task Force on

"I hear you guys are going to er member groused to the 33-yearold newcomer, who offered reassurance that, while members of Congress may have to pay for their own parking some day, their longdistance calls are safe.

On the other hand, Representative Jim Nussle of Iowa, who has just been named chairman of the Republican House Reform Task Force, is jubilant at the reinforcements. Last year, as a 31-year-old freshman, Mr. Nussle wore a hag on his head on the House floor to dramatize his embarrassment about the House bank scandal, and introduced the perk-purging "Nussle Congressional Reform Package," with chapter headings like "Use a Stamp" and "Go Home," Though the bill died in committee last year, in the hands of lawmakers who had a hard time taking a man in a paper bag seriously, be says he plans to reintroduce it.

"Reform wasn't very popular last year," Mr. Nussle said. "Now, all of a sudden, everyone's a reformer. It's almost like, 'Can you

Since Calvinist winds have swept through the Capitol before without much effect, except to exponential ly increase the number of ethics committees, it is hard to say whether anything will really change. Ever since the news release was invented, politicians have used it to portray themselves as crusaders, even if they did not care about the particular virtue they were advocating.

Even those who support the idea of revamping Congress say there is a fair amount of showboating going

"The problem is that there are so few perks left there isn't really much for them to go after, but they promised their constituents that they would," said James Glassman. the editor of Roll Call, a weekly Capitol Hill newspaper. "So now we are beginning to see evidence that they are descending into trivi-

Consider the case of Representa-ove Robert D. Inglis, a 33-year-old freshman Republican from South Carolina whose starched white

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sent a shiver of rage through the country about special treatment for members of Congress, the leader-ship scurried to set a fee of \$400 for miles to lower his travel expenses the gymnasium. But increasing the fee into the vicinity of market value was not good enough for Mr. Inglis. He has sent the House Gym strongly about the ethics of fre-Association a check for \$520 and a quent-flier miles," he said. "We

pay for a "nicer" bealth club in his district, and bence would pay no less for the House gym.

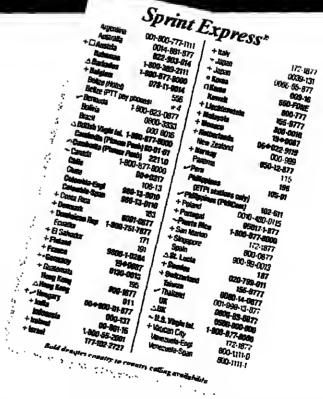
Unlike some of his more freewheeling colleagues, Mr. Fingerhut by buying more tickets to fly home "You might laugh, but I feel very

bought these things with taxpayer dollars, and it's outrageous when people use them to go to Hawaii." Representative Roscoe G. Bartlett, a freshman Republican from Maryland who lives within com-muting distance of the Capitol,

boasts that he has not yet submitted his first expense account, and hopes not to submit any. "I want to make a statement that it is not money that brought me here," he said. "I just want to serve the peo-

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forces and local police.

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in return for belp in securing a fuel

supply contract at a power station. Proclaiming his innocence. Mr. Altissimo resigned his party position after declaring: "I have nothing to do with bribes coming from ENEL or anywhere else."

Magistrates have also notified Antonio Cariglia, former head of the small Social Democrat coalition partner, that he is under investigation, meaning that all four members of the coalition have now been drawn into the scandal.

"I don't expect these players to be the players in the new game," Mr. Amato said in London, terming his own administration "a transtitional government breaking the old rules and preparing the country for a new poliocal system possible only with a new electoral system.

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Seoul, Fearing North, May Seek a U.S. Commitment a rehearsal for nuclear war.

U.S. officials have made no secret of their eagerness for the 120,000-troop exercises, called Team Spirit, to come to an end. That, they believe, may remove a major propaganda 100l the North has been using 10 justify its abrupt exit from the Nuclear Nonprolifera-

tion Treaty. American officials said that they had detected no unusual troop movements in North Korea, despite reports via Beijing that North Korea's capital, Pyong-yang, is being blacked out at night in response to warnings from the government that an American-led

were being granted, effectively barring what few foreigners enter the country.

declaration that the country has gone on a "semi-war footing" and that war could break out on the Korean Peninsula "at any moment" - has been largely dismissed as an effort to build support for the regime at a ployed here from other bases for the exercise, and time of widespread food shortages and deep economic troubles.

Among the most visible signs of American support finish Thursday or Friday.

Korean regime, which has denounced the exercises as attack is imminent. Several North Korean missions they are seeking is the continued presence of the around the world have also confirmed that no visas Independence, an aircraft carrier normally based in Japan, and of B-1B bombers and F-117A Stealth aircraft brought to South Korea for the exercises. Both in Seoul and in Washington, North Korea's President Kim Young Sam went to view the aircraft belligerent rhetoric in recent days — including a Tuesday, in a symbolic gesture that was clearly also intended to send a signal to the North.

About 36,000 American troops usually are stationed here. But another 19,000 Americans have been deanother 10,000 or so are offshore in a small flotilla from the Seventh Fleet. The exercises are scheduled to

## Patten Answers China: A Smooth Transition, Yes, but Not With Dishonor

HONG KONG — Britain wants a smooth transition to Chinese rule for Hoog Kong, hut not at the expense of dishonor, the colony's governor said Tuesday after severe criticism of his administration by

By David E. Sanger

New York Times Service

SEOUL - South Korea's defense ministry said

Tuesday that it was "seriously considering" asking the

Clinton administration to keep large numbers of U.S.

forces and equipment here, after an annual military

exercise concludes at the end of this week, as a strong

response to a surge in political tension with North

If South Korea goes ahead with its request, it will

confront President Bill Clinton and his advisers with a

difficult choice: whether to show strong support for an

ally even at the risk of further enraging the North

China's prime minister. Governor Chris Patien said that debate on the territory's future would go on, however strident the criticism from Beijing.

"China is sovereign after 1997."

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Mr. Patten said in a BBC interview.

transition as possible," he added. But I don't want to do that at the expense of acting wholly dishonorably, at the expense of undermin-ing the future well-being and living standards and way of life of the people of Hong Kong."

Speaking after a meeting of the colonial cahines, the Executive Li's speech.

Council, Mr. Patten did not cite Monday of Mr. Patten's democratic proposals for the colony as a discuss the future of Hong Kong "perfidious" betrayal of Chinese-Stitish agreements.

language which bas very often been used about Hong Kong by others," he said when asked to react to Mr.

He added, "As has been the case "We are the sovereign power before hul he made it clear that he was replying to Mr. Li's description about Hong Kong and the Hong was replying to Mr. Li's description about Hong Kong and the Hong about Hong Kong and the Hong Kong governor, we'll continue to

> Mr. Patten provoked the new at-"I don't intend to use the sort of inguage which has very often been sed about Hong Kong by others," after diplomats in Beijing failed to agree to new negotiations on Hong
> Kong's political future.
>
> Hurd, saying he hoped talks could still be held with China on the issue of the 1995 legislating design.

"The Hong Kong government wants to work hard for the ordinary families, the people of Hong Kong," Mr. Patten said. "It's their interests we have in mind, and I'm not sure wby anybody should think that their interests are served by

Mr. Patten echoed comments from Foreign Secretary Douglas

excessive language."

last before Hong Kong returns to China two years later. Bul China on Tuesday denounced Mr. Hurd's remarks to Parliament in London.
Mr. Hurd "Inndamentally

doesn't have any sincerity," said the deputy director of Xinhua in Hong Kong, Qin Wenjun, speaking in Beijing. "He is only playing some kind of political trick." Xinhua acts as China's de facto

consulate in the British colony. (AFP, Reuters)

# Japan Court Upholds Textbook Screening

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

TOKYO — Japan's Supreme Court upheld government screening of school books Tuesday, rejecting a lawsuit by a history professor who had waged a 30-year battle over the presentation of warting

ustory.

The Supreme Court, ruling on a suit filed in 1965, backed a Tokyo High Court decision seven years ago that defended the Education Ministry's right under the constitution to screen and dictate the

contents of school textbooks. "The screening system is necessary to maintain a national standard on the content of educational material and to guarantee fairness and neutrality," said the presiding judge, Tsanco Kabe. "It

does not violate the constitution. Japan is one of only a few non-Communist, industrialized countries screening textbooks. The Education Ministry screens all textbooks up to the senior high school level and has been accused of

using the practice to whitewash Japan's militaristic past.
Saburo lenaga, 79, a retired history professor, has filed three suits against the government since the Education Ministry ordered him to

delete numerous passages in editions of his "New History of Japan," written for high schools. Written for ingil schools.

The text contained descriptions of Japanese military invasions in Asia up to and during World War II that censors rejected asg

unfounded or inappropriate.

Ministry officials took offense in particular to Mr. lenage's

descriptions of the army's germ warfare experiments on prisoners. Mr. Ienaga lost a previous suit, in 1989, and did not appeal, "For Japan this is a disgraceful ruling," Mr. Ienaga said at a news (Reuters, AP) conference.

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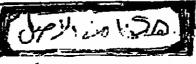
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# Shakespeare, Almost the Way It Was

By John Rockwell New York Times Service

ONDON - This winter a troupe of professional actors who call themselves the What You Will Theatre don in plays by William Shakespeare. Nothing unusual in that, one might think; London is clotted with Shakespearean actors acting

But these actors are doing it largely without rehearsal. Each knows his or her own part, but not anyone else's. All they have are ones, three-word tags that trigger their own next lines.

They also do without sets, lighting, extraneous

props and, naturally, a stage director. Just a playing space, stock costumes, a banner or sword or chair, an audience and a text: Shakespeare's original, learned from its First Folio typography, which is supposed to provide all the clues the actors need as to scansion and emphasis. The search for "authenticity," so popular in classical music, came relatively late to acting. But in acting, the movement is well under way to judge from this troupe and its parent, the Original Shakespeare Co. Ltd., as well as from

atre near its actual London site. In no way did a What You Will performance of "Twelfth Night" seem amateurish, and it certainly avoided the excesses of "directors"

attempts to recreate the physical conditions of

Elizabethan theater, most notably in the long-standing effort to reconstruct the Globe The-

"Why should I have a director if I can do it myself?" argued Anne Atkins, one of the quar-tet of actors who founded the What You Will

There are several reasons the quest for authenticity has lagged in theater. Little physical evidence, such as musical instruments, remains to provide the basis for a stylistic reconstrucnon. There is a text, but no real way, or so it was thought, to ascertain the acting style that animated that text centuries ago.

Besides, in England especially, the continu-ing performance tradition has been so strong that scholarly efforts to reinvent the form met a wall of resistance. If few thought the art of Shakespearean acting was broken, there was little impens to fix it.

Discussions as to just how Shakespeare's

plays were performed at the dawn of the 17th century have abounded for years. The current efforts owe their direct lineage, it would seem, to John Barton, the Royal Shakespeare Company director. He personally inspired Patrick Tucker, who worked with the company's educational wing, but who is now best known as the director of the popular British soap opera, Brookside," on ITV.

Tucker put his ideas into practice at a Royal Shakespeare workshop performance of "Ro-meo and Juliet" at the University of Western Kentucky in 1975 and has been refining them

The problem, as he conceived it, was that the Globe Theatre actors, to judge from their surviving performance schedules, presented a diz-

To keep them from making off with plays, actors were given only their own parts.

zying range of plays every week, with a couple of premiers a month. How could they fit in all that work? His conclusion was that they simply learned their lines and leapt onto the stage, dispensing with all the bothersome baggage of a modern theatrical rehearsal, and gaining in spontaneity and alertness in the process.

'My work in television has reinforced my work in Shakespeare," he conceded. "I shoot Brookside' all day, and once you've done it, you forget it. That's what television acting is, and it's probably what Elizabethan actors did, too." "Of course," Atkins added gravely, "the only difference is that the writing in 'Brookside' and

the writing in Shakespeare are poles apart." Tucker also suggests that the lack of copyright protection in Elizabethan times and the siasm of rival impresarios to poach popular plays encouraged a method whereby no one but the anthor knew the entire play. Actors were given only their own parts — period "cue scripts" have survived — and hence couldn't defect and take hit plays with them.

The First Folio, Tucker contends, with its antique punctuation and capitalization, provides all the indications an actor needs. "The First Folio is stuffed full of actors' notes, stripped by modern editors," he said.

much of their work is speculative. "A lot of the fine-tuning of what we do is just plain guess-work," said David Angus, a What You Will actor. But Tucker argues that no plausible counter-theories have been advanced.

There have been compromises. Neither Tucker's Original Shakespeare Company nor the What You Will company — with Atkins — cast boys in women's roles. Tucker argues that some women did act in Elizabethan times and that "boys" really meant postpubescent ap-prentices. But he also concedes, "I have a large mber of actresses who want to work this

In addition, presenting several consecutive performances of the same play, even in different locations, robs all performances after the first of the ideal freshness. For that, one would need a closely packed repertory of different plays, as well as a stunted education in which modern actors and audiences could somehow encounter Shakespeare without prior knowl-

ENCE no one is ready to jettison the modern British Shakespeare tradition altogether. Sam Wanamaker, the London-based American director and actor who leads the project to reconstruct the Globe Theatre, says he prefers a more open-ended approach in which Tucker's method would be employed for only one "pure-

ly educational" production a season.

Wanamaker places his faith in the structure itself, which he says will be the first to come even close to the actual conditions of Shakespeare's time. But even so, some guessing is involved, since the Globe site cannot be systematically excavated, given a more recent, historically pro-tected building constructed above it.

The physical conditions — no sets, natural lighting, natural acoustics — will impose the conditions of the performances," Wanamaker contended. "But we don't want to present mu-

The Globe construction is well under way, proceeding at a leisurely pace to match the intake of funds. It has been dogged for years by money problems. Even now, only a third of the more than \$30 million needed has been raised. and the opening of the Globe Theatre itself, not counting the projected surrounding structures, has been put off until the spring of 1994 at the

# Mamet's 'Squirrels': Writer's Block

By Sheridan Morley International Herald Tribane

ONDON - Thirty or so years back, the success of Edward Albee's "Zoo Story" led a large number of young American playwrights to think they too could write twohanders about disparate men thrown together by circumstance in which the power gradually shifts from one to the other. One of these was evidently David Mamet, the

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stage and screenwriter who has set New York's chattering classes abuzz with "Oleanna," a somewhat fragile political-correctness duoe soon to be seen in London with David Suchet in a Harold Pinter production at the Royal Court.

Always beware, however, early unstaged plays by dramatists who later became famous. There is usually some reason that these have any some reason that these have not been staged before. The King's Head in Islington now gives us Ma-met's "Squirrels," written two de-cades ago but only now getting its European premiere and not a moment too soon or late.

Here we have a novelist who for 15 years has been struggling to write the opening paragraph of a story about a man on a park bench having his hand bitten by a squir-rel. But a writer's block does not make for an unblocked play, and there is nothing that even the gaunt, graying, admirable Edward Petherbridge can do here to make us care about Mamet's hero, or his cleaning lady (Sara Kestelman) or his assistant (Steven O'Shea), all of whom drift around this desultory, lethargic 90-minute piece in vague hopes that Mamet might have left its plot lying about somewhere in acres of circular dialogue.

ln Aaron Mullen's reverently aimless production, there is just the sound of a dramatist desperately trying to learn his trade with the audience already in their seats.

In a time of considerable commercial peril around the West End, most managements are playing safe. But the management at the Aldwych is playing it safer still. Having landed the catch of the season, Maggie Smith as Lady Bracknell for "The Importance of Being Earnest," they've surrounded her with her last



Petherbridge (top) and O'Shea in "Squirrels."

the National's hottest director (Nicholas Hytner), plus a chie young movie star from "Dracula" "The Player" (Richard E. Grant), and the best thing to have emerged from Jonathan Miller's Old Vic (Alex Jennings). The result ought to be an unqualified triumph, but it's not.

True, Dame Maggie is stupen-dous: Her Bracknell is the only one

"Lettice & Lovage" cast (Margaret to challenge Edith Evans in my Tyzack and Richard Pearson), plus lifetime, and it does so by coming from an altogether different corner of the text. The Smith/Bracknell is no dominant dowager, cascading from a great social height, but in-stead an infinitely more neurotic parvenue, deeply uncertain of her own social security and therefore all the more determined not to get caught up with babies found in handbags at Victoria Station, no

#### **New Festival Director**

NEW YORK — The New York Shakespeare Festival has fired JoAnne Akalaitis, the theater's director, and hired the Broadway playwright George C. Wolfe to succeed her.

Akalartis was the artistic director chosen by the festival's founder, Joseph Papp, who died in 1991. The board of trustees appointed Wolfe artistic director as well as producer of the festival, one of the leading nonprofit theaters in the United States.

Akalaitis's troubled 20-month tenure was marked by a decline in

funding and subscriptions and a sporadic production schedule.

pendous comic turn, on stage for barely a quarter of the play, Hytner has oddly and uncharacteristically failed to build a coherent production. True, he has not been much helped by Bob Crowley's wonder-fully off-center set, which suggests not so much Oscar Wilde as Lewis Carroll. With everything at odd angles, one half expects the Mad Hatter to join Algemon's tea party. As for Algernon and John Wor-

But around this stunning and stu-

thing, Grant and Jennings start the evening as a couple of lip-kissing gay young things, an intriguing inellectual idea, given the trials of Oscar Wilde's private life at the time he was writing this, but one that is incapable of being sustained once the women appear. All through the evening, there is the fatal offstage sound of intellectual ideas about the play crashing un finished into the scenery; only the Dame and her despised Prism (Tyzack) seem to know exactly what they are doing. The two women. Claire Skinner and Sasannah Harker, are hopelessly out of period and even the great and good Pearson seems not quite yet to have caught the measure of Chasuble. All in all a deeply tentative evening.

ND finally, out at the Riverside Studios, "In-vade My Privacy" is an intriguing five-character cabaret built around the work of the poet and lyricist Fran Landesman, she of "Spring Can Really Hang You Up the Most." Jacqueline Dankworth leads a strong cast for Linda Marlowe, and Landesman's bittersweet, quirky wit, somewhere halfway from Dory Previn back to Ogden Nash, reminds us yet again of the need London has for a resident cabaret theater, where all such songbook shows could find a semi-

Faced with the need to give this one some sort of a frame. Marlowe has set it at a dinner party from hell where the lovelorn diners and a manic waitress exchange bitter romantic and marital and sexual experiences in poems set to a jazz beat and the occasional parody ("Paranoia, where the rage keeps learing through the brain" of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Oklahoma!" Most of Landesman's bittersweet lyrics are about lost love and found mistakes ("I met him at a jumble sale, a slightly damaged adult male") and they are lively with regret.

# Chabrol's Hard Look at Vichy Newsreels

By Joan Dupont

ARIS — Movie houses during the Oc-cupation were full. Before the feature. France-Pathè-Actualités treated audiences to a stream of propaganda in praise of Marshal Petrain and his Vichy regime. The newsreels also painted hate messages against France's "enemies": Bolsheviks, Freemasons and foreigners.

Claude Chabrol's "L'Oeil de Vichy," is a twohour assemblage from those archives, news of Occupied France skewed by the collaborationist media. Now we can see what French moviegoers were looking at from June 1940 to August 1944: Jews depicted as foraging rats: Allied bombings presented as atrocities; Webrmacht soldiers on the Russian front portrayed as heros.

Producer Jean-Pierre Ramsay, who initiated the project, said Chabrol was the perfect director to "wring the neck of Vichy." The historians Robert O. Paxton and Jean-Pierre Azema acted as consultants and wrote the brief commentary, spoken by Michel Bouquet, who narrated Alain Resnais's "Nin et Brouillard" ("Night and

Fog") in 1955.
"L'Oeil de Vichy" was made with a tough

critical eye, an intelligent montage of docu-ments, with significant omissions, insistent repctitions and ironic cuts. A shot of the meeting between Petain and Hitler is shown repeatedly, but no image exists of the detention of Jewish families in the Vel d'Hiv, the Velodrome d'Hiver sports stadium, who subsequently made up convoys for Auschwitz; instead, the newsreel that week of July 1942 showed a "Fresh Air Crusade," parents waving their chil-

dren off on vacation. Fifty years after Vichy, members of the regime who manipulated the country and the media appear as grotesque as movie villains — the strange blind face of Georges Scapini, a Vichy diplomat assigned to look after the interests of French PWs in Germany, Jacques Doriot, the French fascist leader with the style of a revivalist, and the fastidious silhonette of René Bousquet, the police chief behind the Vel d'Hiv arrests.

Some critics have remarked that despite his sophisticated montage, Chabrol's studied lack of a point of view detracts from the usefulness of his documentary. Jean Daniel in Le Nouvel Observateur and Jérôme Garcin and Anne Andreu in L'Evenement du Jeudi are concerned that the film, by not clearly explaining these images, keeps today's generation in the dark. Danièle

Heymann in Le Monde noted that the association of Jews and rats may still remain stamped on unwary public imagination; she wonders if young people today have the perspective, the tools to see through the lies of Vichy.

Resnais's "Noit et Bromilard" and Marcel Ophuls's "The Sorrow and the Pity" (1971), were dramatic revelations in their day. Can a documentary about Vichy 50 years later have the same kind of impact? Chabrol holds up a mirror, a deformed image that people who lived under the Occupation probably prefer to forget, to a generation that has little passion for history.

Chabrol's fascination with the past goes way back. Raised during the Vichy regime by parents in the Resistance, he has made feature films from chronicles of crime and punishment - men who manipulate crowds, who murder their wives, women who poison their husbands or themselves, characters like Madame Bovary, Landru and Mabuse, Now, a month before Rene Bousquet comes up for trial, he has told a diabolical story straight, and set it in the eye of

Joan Dupom is a Paris-based writer specializ-

## Montana Feels the Prevailing Winds

By Suzy Menkes International Herald Tribune

ARIS - The tempest that battered the United States has its fashion parallel. A hurricane of change is blowing with new ideas whirling, drifting, altering the familiar landscape and obscuring established monuments. There is the sense this autumnwinter season that strong designers are standing firm, bending with the prevailing wind, but rooted 10 what they know and understand. To put it more succinctly, the big names are not

making news.
In Claude Montana's show Tuesday, his icy sculptured tailoring had melted - but only at the edges. Here a coat sleeve flared gently, there a short swing jacket was pinked at its hem. Lush chemile, furrowed cord, plush velvet, suede and fur were soft - but their silhouette was still sharp.

It was a swashbuckling collection with a romantic feeling done in a modern way: a pristine white collar and cuffs to a clerically correct coat, or suede Puss in Boots striding out with ribbed leggings under a brief jacket. We bave seen and worn that look before, but Montana freshened it with a Robin Hood theme his subtle way of using a costume-party inspiration without delving into a trunk of old

The show opened with a pre-cisely tailored long coat and then the swing jackets over wide pants. They looked best in jewelcolored corduroy velvet - topaz, emerald, sapphire, tourmaline, turquoise, with matching leggings and suede boots. Like a lot of Montana's work, they might be daunting to wear, but they made a striking passage in the show.

What will his aficionados wear? Pants, of course, cut wide beneath the swing jackets which was a strong proportion. Montana does not really believe in long skirts, although he made them credible, and even desir-able, in slender ribbed knit under an elongated tunic sweater. All the knitwear was strong from the ribbed daytime tunics to a hlack chenille open-work sweater at night,

The rest was graphic tailoring in navy and white, gray flannel stroked at the collar with black velvet or chocolate wool softened with satin trim. Montana's signature leather and shearling jackets took well to the Merry Men theme, with flat collars Montana's shearling jacket à la Robin Hood; Alaïa pushes bust up and hem down.

swirling round the shoulders and the jackets curving in above the narrow hose.

The sexy-fashion-starved photographers were overjoyed when the word went round that Azzedine Alaïa was showing. "Naomi! Naomi!" they cat-called as supermodel Campbell sashayed out in a elinging one-piece suit.
"Carla, Carla, Carla " they
drooled as Bruni's bust rose up and over a mid-calf knitted tube. "Linda, lovely Linda," thay eried at Evangelista, even though she was wearing an apron dress over a white shirt, which is the nearest Alaïa will get to a nunnery.

The designer of sexpot silhouettes had changed - hut in his fashion. A chaste silky cardigan slithered to the ankles — hut then opened to show deep-cut panties and a bra top. Hems down, necklines scooped was Alaīa's method of dealing with elongated skirts. He also sent out skirts hrief, shorts sweet and tops baring the midriff.

Katharine Hamnett has dis-

covered grunge six months after everyone else. But maybe the British designer never really left the sexy/scruffy/hippie look behind. Her contribution to fashion this season was not weighty. In fact it can best be described as a bit of fluff: Mongolian lamh (a hot back-to-the-1970s-trend) edged calf-length vests and ankle boots: sweaters were as hairy as a mountain goat, snow white, cropped off to show a bared midriff over a low-slung skirt. The flung-together look of flower children gone to seed was on target for fashion now. But will it survive until winter?

Designers who are on a young wavelength just don't care about hemlines. Xuly Bet sent out an upbeat collection, always with a skinny, body-hugging silhouette. but with hems stopping any where from mid-calf to midthigh. Designer Lamine Kouyate makes re-cycled clothes — a strong story this season. But in-stead of making the collection look ecological and worthy. there were vivid colors and sexy

shapes for the apron dresses wrapping the body or the lay-ered stretch dresses, made up of swearshirts, T-shirts, old cardigans and new panty hose that Kouyaté gives his own individ-

Lanvin - although not in its ready-to-wear - was once Claude Montana's patch. His brief stint at the couture house has left an indelible mark on the house. There was nothing exactly wrong with Dominique Morlotti's collection, which contained fine long coats, the best gathered gently at the back to soften the tailored lines and in rich wintry colors like cranberry. pine green or peat brown. Since his background is as a menswear designer, Morlotti played on a dandy theme for pantsuits with curving jackets. Hair was slicked into loose pin curls. Not a jewel broke the stern lines. The clothes might be nice to wear (the actress Emanuelle Béart sitting center front was in a lather of excitement). It was dead boring to sit through.

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A Start on Base-Closings

to use those nuclear arms it has allegedly

been developing. But for the past few days,

it has been flirting with diplomatic suicide

tion Treaty and, for good measure, partial

mobilization of its million-strong military.

seriously. Seoul is just minutes from the

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veapon would almost certainly provoke an Asian nuclear arms race involving South Korea and perhaps Japan. The internation-

al community therefore needs to respond

firmly but carefully, protecting the credibility of nonproliferation efforts worldwide without pushing the Korean Peninsula clos-er to armed conflict. If diplomacy fails to

persuade North Korea to reverse its ban on inspection, then the United Nations will be

obliged to consider enforcement measures

including sanctions.

For weeks, the International Atomic Ener-

gy Agency has sought to inspect additional facilities to follow up on new intelligence and

The Clinton administration was required

by law to submit a list of military bases to be closed, but nothing in the law said the list had to be serious. The fact that it is a serious list speaks well of the president and

the defense secretary who compiled it. An-

nouncing closings such as these is never a pleasant task. The patchy state of the U.S.

economy — continued high unemployment amid a nominal recovery characterized in

part by hefty layoffs by corporations that

are struggling, just as the Defense Depart-

ment is, to "downsize" - makes it less so.

But the arguments against the closings are hollow. They sound particularly so when they come, as some of the loudest are coming now, from members of Congress

who have made careers of opposing defense

spending (particularly some prominent members of the California delegation). You

would think that these budget-cutters

would be embarrassed at having been found discussing defense as pork instead of in loftier terms, but they never are. The base-closings are no different from

the rest of the major military cuts now in

contemplation, to which they are a corol-

lary. It is going to be hard enough for the services to make the budget cuts the presi-

dent has ordered over the next five years

without wasting money on unnecessary

bases whose only reasons for continued

existence are the jobs they provide. The

closings will indeed cost jobs, but in many

cases fewer than the furor over the an-nouncements might suggest. "There isn't a single state that has really taken it in the

cloud -that terrible crimes were perpetrat-

ed in freedom's name by the armed forces

of El Salvador. Its report serves the past by

baring the truth, and the future by calling

for the removal of accused officers and the

banishment from public posts of rebel lead-

The report itself is a cathartic memorial

to 75,000 victims of a 12-year civil war.

Established under the 1992 accords that

ended the fighting, the commission received testimony from 2,000 people. Its central

finding is that the Salvadoran Army, the

security forces and death squads committed

the vast majority of the atrocities. This does

not lessen the guilt of leftist rebels for killing four U.S. Marines in 1985, or their

murder of 11 mayors and 400 other civil-

ians. But most of the blood was shed by

The report identifies a former defense

minister as one of the senior officers who

ordered the killing of six Jesuit priests in

1989. It names another defense minister as

among those who tried to cover up the

murder of four American churchwomen. It

finds that Roberto D'Aubuisson, the right-

ist politician and hero to Senator Jesse

soldiers armed by the United States.

ers responsible for human-rights crimes.

nuclear program has gone.

In all likelihood, these moves are mostly bluster addressed mainly at a North Korean audience and reflecting hostility to nuclear inspections. But they have to be taken

the first time the agency has demanded ac-

cess to sites not listed by a host government. On Feb. 25, the IAEA set a one-mouth

al requires 90 days' notice, the inspection deadline remains legally in effect.

For now, diplomatic efforts are focused in Vienna, where the IAEA has scheduled a

special meeting for Thursday. If the agency

cannot resolve the problem, the next step is

enforcement by the UN Security Council.

North Korea depends on China and Russia for critical raw materials, and on Iran for

oil If China cooperates, UN economic

The IAFA's credibility suffered when it

failed to detect Iraqi violations. The request to visit unlisted sites in North Korea was one response. Other aspiring nuclear states won't

miss the message if the agency is thwarted.
Four permanent members of the Security

Council - the United States, Russia, Britain and France — are ready to insist on IAEA inspections. The fifth, China, may

not obstruct sanctions if they become necessary. But it would be better if things did

not go that far. By displaying unity, the world may yet persuade Pyongyang to re-verse its suicidal course.

ear," Defense Secretary Les Aspin testified

on Monday, and "even in the hardest hit states, it's a pretty small percentage of the total labor force." No state loses more than 1 percent. The job and income losses will

also be gradual; for the first few years the

closings as a group will cost the government money, mainly for environmental cleanup. The administration will seek to cushion

the effects through retraining and other read-

justment programs of the sort the president announced last week (although it is still not

clear that programs such as these are as useful as their advocates in and out of the administration claim). Meanwhile, econo-

mists will argue that in the long run many

affected communities will benefit from the

closings, rather than lose, in that their re-

sources will be devoted to more productive

The further good news is that the proceedings have been largely depoliticized. Congress, for all the obvious reasons, has never

been good at base-closing. A couple of years

ago it voted to put much of the power in the hands of presidentially appointed commis-sions. The idea came from Representative

Richard Armey, now a member of the House Republican leadership. George Bush ap-

pointed the current commission, before which Mr. Aspin appeared on Monday and

whose final recommendations President Clinton and Congress will have to accept or

reject in their entirety later this year. The system worked in 1991; it seems to be

"fully proven," the panel vindicates Ray-

mond Bouner of The New York Times and

Alma Guillermoprieto of The Washington

Post and exposes what looks like purposeful

Their articles, based on interviews with

survivors, were disputed by Thomas Enders,

then the State Department's chief of inter-

American affairs. He told Congress that the

administration had found "no evidence to

confirm government forces systematically

massacred civilians in the operations zone."

As a CBS report on Sunday made clear,

this contention was based on a report by

two U.S. Embassy officials who did not

even visit El Mozote. The reporters did, and

saw the bodies. On "60 Minutes," one of the

officials said the report had been toned

As it happens, they or someone also man-

aged to mislead Congress and the public. Some American editorialists who attacked

the reporters were themselves duped. In any

event, the State Department should now

resolve in a formal inquiry whether the embassy officials indulged in deliberate deception and whether Mr. Enders knew he

was passing along incorrect information.

The administration's sin was not its wish

to promote democracy and free elections in

El Salvador. That was and still is a worthy

purpose. Its sin was a reluctance to look

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

closely at crimes committed by its allies.

down to fit the Reagan line.

mendacity in the Reagan administration.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

off to a very good start again.

Truth About El Salvador

A UN Truth Commission now confirms 1981 in El Mozote. In calling the massacre what the Reagan administration sought to "fully proven," the panel vindicates Ray-

purposes and not engaged in make-work.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

sanctions can be a realistic threat.

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The West has moved a step closer to pumping renewed financial aid into Russia to bolster President Boris Yeltsin's shaky economic reforms.

However, if aid is ever given, it may be too little and too late to save him or his changes. Japan is part of the problem. Its government is still reluctant to help Russia while the two countries are in dispute over the Kuril Islands. But the main worry for most G-7 nations is the situation in Russia. Moscow's foreign debt of \$70 billion to \$80 billion dwarfs the \$20.8 billion in aid it received

from the industrialized world last year. The West's dilemma is more political than economic. Of far greater concern than the economic situation is what could happen to the federation if Mr. Yeltsin falls.

The president's position is now so precarious that the West may deem it better not to risk relations with future Russian leaders by backing a man they are about to overthrow. The West must calculate whether it is a risk it is prepared to take. If Mr. Yeltsin were to go, there is bound to follow a period of instability far greater than any known before the Russian federation was formed. - South China Morning Post (Hong Kong).

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## **OPINION**



## The Outside World Cannot Determine Russia's Fate

T OKYO—The emergency meeting Sunday of the Group of Seven major industrialized democracies was ostensibly aimed at supporting President Boris Yeltsin in his power struggle against conservative forces in the Russian parliament. But one must ask whether it is wise to become so deeply involved in the domestic poli-

tics of another country.

From 1918 to 1921, Western nations and Japan believed that, through military intervention, they could prevent Russia from going Communist. The result was a fiasco.

Nationals, not foreigners, decide the political fate of any country — witness China, Cuba and Viet-nam. We should not canclude that Boxis Yeltsin is the only trustworthy leader in Russia. And we must understand that democracy can survive in Russia

only if it is rooted in the country's political culture.
This is not to say that democratization, market economy and peaceful foreign policy are undesirable for Russia. But the means to the end must be rational and pragmatic. The proposed emergency summit meeting and its aim of providing financial

By Kenichi Ito

aid for Russia (former President Richard Nixon has called on President Bill Clinton to supply \$15 billion) lacks such hard-headed pragmatism. There is serious potential that much of this money will be wasted, when it could be applied more construc-tively to pressing needs elsewhere. And if a significant part of the tab has to come from Japan, we Japanese taxpayers should at least be consulted.

Mr. Nixon (IHT, March 6 and 8) says that Mr.

Yeltsin "shares Western values" and "unequivocally supports a nonaggressive foreign policy."

But I cannot agree with Mr. Nixon if be asserts

Party Politburo "shares Western values," or that Mr. Ye'tsin "unequivocally supports a nonaggressive foreign policy" when he has been quoted as saying that "Russia is a superpower." Bons Ye'tsin is a complicated Slavic character who shows different faces to different people. Should we in the rest of the world put all our trust in such a man?

Those who call for special treatment for Russia do so because it is a nuclear power. But Russia is no longer the Soviet empire, nor is it the only country with nuclear arms.

The issue is not one man named Yeltsin. It is whether the leaders and people of Russia want to forge a democratic, market-oriented and peaceloving nation. We cannot use aid money to buy democracy for the Russians. They alone can

make Russia a peace-loving nation. For us to coddle and pamper them will not help.

Through its own fault, Russia has yet to fully use the West's 524 billion aid package or the Paris Club's offer of debt rescheduling. Should the Group of Seven throw an additional \$15 billion Russia's way? This likely would do little more than an increase Purising control light. to increase Russian capital flight. The result could be like so many of the American androps over Bosnia - never reaching the target.

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## From Moscow to Mexico, a Population Trap Looms

By Hobart Rowen

WASHINGTON — When President Bill Clinton meets President dent Boris Yeltsin in Vancouver, British Columbia, on April 3, one topic that ought to be on the agenda is the unavailability of modern contraceptives in most of Russia, and the low priority that Moscow gives to women's health.

Russian women, according to Population Action International, have little choice but to rely on abortion as their primary method of birth control, often without anesthesia.

The desperate state of Russian family planning and reproductive health care is quite relevant to the summit meeting. Mr. Clinton has pledged additional assistance to prop up a nation facing economic depression. But it should be clear by now that no amount of economic aid to a belea-guered country will help if not coupled

to meaningful family planning.

The only factor limiting a population explosion in Russia, beyond abortions (which occur in a ratio of at least 2-to-1 to live births), is economic hardship. Fears among Russians about using contraceptive pills and condoms can be traced to inferior products made in Russia or imported from Eastern Europe, according to Population Action International.

And consider the debate on the North American Free Trade Agreement with Mexico: While Mexico has moved to expand birth control programs, it lags far behind what is happening in many parts of Asia. Lindsey Grant, a former U.S. deputy assistant secretary of state for environmental and population affairs, notes that the

population of Mexico, the Caribbean and Central America has risen from 25 percent of the U.S. population in 1930 to 60 percent of that level today and will equal it around 2020. Mr. Grant, in a bulletin for Negative Population Growth Inc., shows that the working-age population in Mexico and other Latin countries is growing faster than the overall total. generating enormous pressure to find

long-term escape from the population trap they are in," be says. If population is not better con-trolled in Mexico, the economic stimulus NAFTA provides there will be overwhelmed by the sheer number of additional mouths to be fed. The worst fears of the treaty's opponents

jobs, or to emigrate to the United

States. Reduced fertility "is the only

may be realized. Mickey Kantor, the U.S. trade representative, told a congressional committee last week that Mr. Clinton is prepared to "walk away" from the treaty unless supplemental agree-ments are reached with Mexico on modernized environmental and workplace regulations. Population control should be added to the list. Two days after taking office, Presi-

dent Clinton made good on a campaign pledge to reverse President Ronald Reagan's 1984 decision bar-ring international organizations re-ceiving U.S. aid money from even discussing abortion.

Mr. Reagan applied this rule even

when the organizations were not using U.S. funds in any abortion program. This ruined efforts by private international birth-control agencies to deal with the entire range of family planning options in various coun-tries. Mr. Reagan (and later George Bush) then cut off funds to nongov erument family planning groups such as the International Planned Parenthood Federation, and withdrew support from the United Nations Population Fund. That ended 20 years of U.S. leadership in two organizations through which Europe and Japan channel most of their population aid.

Mr. Clinton's reversal of the Reagan edict has been welcomed by pri-vate organizations devoted to birth control. But they want the administration to go further, restoring its funds to the international groups, de-

in Foreign Policy magazine, Sharon L. Camp of Population Action.
International argues that this decade may be "the last chance to stabilize human population by the middle of the next century, through humane and voluntary measures, at some-

world population of 5.4 billion."
Under Mr. Reagan and Mr. Bush, as Ms. Camp points out, the United States wasted 12 years in useless debates about abortion and a commitment to the view that population growth "can never be a problem in a properly organized free-market economy," as the business professor Julian Simon put it.

Mr. Clinton needs to exert new U.S. leadership on population control. True, be has an enormous domestic agenda with which to cope. But as be has said, there is no way to separate domestic and international issues. The money involved for birth control is trifling, the stakes enormous.

## Beyond the Legends, St. Patrick Belongs to Us All

C AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts — In America, St. Patrick's Day is a quintessential ethnic celebration, highlighting Irish-American identity as not-British, not-Protestant, not-Italian or Polish (although Roman Catholie like these), certainly not-black or Jewish, and, in some quar-

ters, not-homosexual. In these multicultural times those Americans who are not Irish are encouraged to stand by the roadside cheering as the Irish parade their Irishness. We can do so knowing that, whatever our ethnic group, our moment will also arrive in the calendar of ethnic glory days that defines diversity

To the salad-bowl multiculturalists, this is all there is - and should be — to America.

In this view, St. Patrick belongs as exclusively to the Irish as Martin Luther King Jr. does to African-Ameri-cans and Columbus to Italians. The Irish alone have a collective

patent on the interpretation of St. Patrick's life and meaning.

There is, however, another version of the meaning of America's diversity, one that would reinforce its vibrant cultural center rather than Balkanize it. This view denies any group a patent on its history, insisting that every American has the right to delight in, criticize and even claim the heritage of every group that interests him or her. It optimistically makes another claim: that once we know the fuller historical truths behind the ethnic

myths, the heroes and struggles of other peoples become more meaningful and attractive St. Patrick is a telling illustration. For Americans there is an element in the story (ar more significant than his role in making good Catholics out of

Druidic cultists. In his youth, Patrick was an extreme social outcast: a non-Irish slave, a sinner and possibly an oddball. The accepted facts of his life are few.
In his major work, "The Confessio,"

Patrick described how he was

snatched from his Christian home dur-

By Nerys Patterson and Orlando Patterson ing raids on the west coast of Roman

Britain and taken to Ireland as a slave "along with many thousands of others." This occurred sometime in the late 4th or early 5th century. Naked on the hillsides, herding sheep and swine, be began to have religious visions. These continued into later life and suggest he found religious meaning in what we might call mental illness.

Patrick fled his place of captivity

for the Continent with a crew of ruffi-ans who tried to re-enslave him and, after a big hiatus in the story, he eventually turned up again in Britain. Obsessed with memories of Ireland, he sought money and permission from Christian bishops in England for an apostobe mission to the pagan Irish Patrick emberked on a mission to Christianize Ireland's intellectual leadership and the military bosses of the northern aristocracy.

This most "real" story we can re-trieve on St. Patrick is striking for

TWO reasons. First, it epitomizes a distinctive feature of Western civilization and what is arguably the secret source of its vitality: the extraordinary role of the outsider, notably the lowly outsider, in nearly all the culture's chief developments. Beneath the record of the triumphs and successes of "the rise of the West," we find a real story of social and cultural struggle be-tween insider and outsider. What the ontsiders brought, or discovered in their struggle with the insiders, often led to new technical, intellectual and

spiritual breakthroughs. This openness to the outsider's world remains the underlying dy-

namic of Western history. Second, the true story of St. Patrick carries a healing lesson for two of the most antagonistic ethnic groups in America A great tragedy of American history has been the manner in which two oppressed groups, the Irish and African-Americans, have been mercilessly pitted against each other. Through the rosy lens of a mythologized "Celtic" past, many Irish-Americans viewed the enslavement and peonage of black people with racist contempt. Likewise, many blacks, through their rage and collective mem-ory of the Irishman as the abusive plantation overseer and cracker poiceman, have come to see the smiling eyes of the Irish as the face of racism Anyone who reflects on St. Patrick's own account of his life and experiences must certainly think

again about the Irish past.

There was not only the agony of Patrick and the thousands of others like him, but the brutal British colomization of Ireland, the largely man-made famine that forced more than a quarter of the nation to flee to Ameria, and the struggle against a Protestant settler class that in Ulster constructed a regime that denied civil rights to Catholics as viciously as the meanest street cop patrolling a black

ghetto in America.

In the process of surviving and overcoming this tragic past, the Irish treated one of the world's most powerful literatures.
The parallel with African-Ameri-

cans, who in overcoming and express-ing their own trials created jazz, one of the world's great music forms, is close. The same story, and the same paralleis, could be drawn with other groups -Jews, women, homosexuals —who in overcoming their particular trage-dies remade the common heritage. The historical St. Patrick also has

an equally important lesson for African-Americans and other minorities who feel they have been ill-used. Violent abduction, slavery, hard-ship and terror did not lead him into

ethnocentric hatred of the Irish nor to a cultural relativism that complacently justified avoidance. Dimly seen in his own writings, Patrick seems to have been a really

great man, able not only to forgive his enslavers but to return to them with the challenge of his own creed. Before he could forgive, however,

he had to be forgiven, which is what the British bishops did when they decided not to let the sin of his youth be a bar to his mission.

The afflicted, struggling Patrick, who helped to bring the Irish into the mainstream of Western history, who forgave and was forgiven, who suffered enslavement and overcame it, who epitomized the West's central drama — the outsider who stayed to transform the culture of his conqueror - belongs to all of us.

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litical guidance. German politicians must realize

that to prepare the Bundeswehr for tasks outside its traditional scope ly managed effort to educate the entire population.

The writer, head of the planning staff in the German Defense Ministry from 1982 to 1988, is now an official working on weapons cooperation in NATO. He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

#### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: A Woman Doctor BRUSSELS - Mile. Clemence Ever-

art, a young lady twenty-six years of age, to-day [March 16] passed with the highest distinction the examina-tion for the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Mile. Everart is the first female who has received this degree in Belgium, and her success has caused great enthusiasm among the League for the Rights of Women,

1918: Using Dutch Ships LONDON — There is reason to believe that Holland, in her reply to the

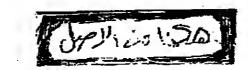
Allied Note with reference to the requisition of Dutch ships in American and British ports, will offer to con-clude an agreement with the main condition that Dutch ships will not be forced to navigate in the danger zone. Naturally the Allies are not in a posi-Naturally the Allies are not in a posi-tion to promise this. Lord Robert Cec-il said: "It must be perfectly evident to Holland and all neutral nations that Germany is not waging a war farther south at Faid."

against belligerents only, but against all neutrals with the idea of sinking ships of all nationalities, thereby reducing the tonnage available to carry foodstuffs to Allied countries."

1943: An American Loss

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA — IFrom our New York edition:] The Americans lost their first major battle with the German Army in the central Tunisian fighting from Feb. 14 to 16 because of an error in intelligence combined with a faulty disposition of troops, an official version indicated today [March 16]. An official spokesman March 10). An orman structure on thining the battle in which the Germans reached the outskirts of Thaia. key to the northern Tunisian plateau, conceded that American losses in material had been "very heavy." He said, "Our intelligence at the start of the battle was faulty in that we were convinced the Germans would make their main effort at Pichon, instead of





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The Barriers

To a German

Peace Force

By Hans Rühle

MUNICH — The debate in Germany on whether the Bundeswehr should join in international at-

tempts to keep and enforce the peace worldwide has centered on constitu-

tional barriers. Many politicians rein-

force the impression that German con-stitutional law is the only obstacle to military normality. Once constitution-

al problems are overcome, they often

say, Germany will be ready to join the

say, Garmany win be ready to join the global community in its attempts to manage international crises.

In fact, the road that would allow

the German armed forces to become

an instrument of international crisis, management is paved with a host dyproblems—material and psychologi-

e There is history. Many German politicians say that even if the constitutional impasse were resolved. German forces could not be sent to re-

gions onee occupied by the Wehrmacht. This translates into a de facto exclusion zone ranging from the

Atlantic to Moscow and from Northern Norway to Northern Africa. Add

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to this Germany's delicate relation-ship with Israel and its colonial past and you end up excluding the Middle East and most of Africa as well. Technical problems start with the fact that the Bundeswehr does not have a single mit (battalion level and above) that would be available as a ocherent formation.

A large part of the German military leadership is unprepared for outof-area operations. This is true in

terms of professional readiness as well as of mentality.

Some rather inflexible German military leaders simply refuse to ac-knowledge the shortcomings ontlined above. Others lack the detailed knowledge required to convey to their soldiers the skills needed to prevail in combat. Unlike most armies, the Bundeswehr includes no soldier

with combat experience. The equipment of the Bundes-wehr is inadequate for out-of-area operations. German arms procure-ment has traditionally been focused on Central European requirements. There are signs of gradual reorientation, but procurement takes time. The declining defense budget rules

our short-term changes.

• German conscripts are mentally imprepared for combat. The controversy over a German contribution to Turkey's defense during the Gulf War crisis demonstrated that German conscripts can be motivated-only by a perceived threat to their home country. Even an "in-area" conflict, involving protection of NATO allies, would cause many NATO silies, would cause many German conscripts — and even some professional soldiers — to make use of their right of conscientions objection. A true "out-of-area" conflict would probably see

objections on an enormous scale. Solutions are nowhere in sight. To create reaction forces solely of professional soldiers conflicts with curent structure and would rec ical changes in salary scales to make 😘 the job of noncommissioned officer more attractive. Given the current budget squeeze, it will be difficult for the armed forces to make its special

financial demands heard. The concept of using "voluntary conscripts" for out-of-area missions is a nonstarter. Since the right to conscientious objection would remain, unit cohesion is likely to crumble once a few men bailed out under the pressure of actual or anticipated combat.

• Perhaps the most fundamental obstacle lies at the level of German society. During the Cold War, NATO and nuclear deterrence seemed to take care of security. The soldier's job became that of a military civil str-vant. The end of the Cold War has reinforced the notion that no German will ever have to fight again. To get German society to change its thinking so fundamentally — to accept TV pictures of body bags conning German soldiers — would

require a cultural revolution. Politicians have to know the limits on how they can - and cannot use their armed forces. And the Bundeswehr and its leadership has every right to expect straightforward po-

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# Cutting the U.S. Military:

EW YORK —The United States is preparing to pare down the military power created by almost a halfcentury of American strategy and investment and a national lifetime of industrial growth.

Aside from those whose jobs are threatened, most Americans are paying

ON MY MIND

about as much close attention as to the peeling of a banana. The deep reduction of the forces is real

change, affecting not just jobs but the destiny and safety of the United States and a good part of the rest of the world. It could turn out to be the essence of sdom. It could open new ways for the mited States to strengthen itself at home and abroad, It could also turn out to be the greatest misjudgment since we Americans disarmed after World War II knowing that Stalin would not be stupid

enough to bother us.

Either way, even with the fall of the
Soviet Union, it certainly is an interesting time to start down the road, proving either bravery or bravado, which are not

the same thing.

A few days ago the end came for any faith in international nuclear "safeguards," as they are amusingly called. North Korea defied the United States by pulling out of inspection and heading

straight for nuclear military power.

And: Is there anybody who believes Iran is not driving toward nuclear production or that Iraq will not one day pick up where it left off — or that both pick up where it left off — or that both might work together? I thought not. Or, ground forces, facing a North Korean



United States is impossible? And: Members of the Russian Congress are going now for Boris Yeltsin's throat. They will cut it, unless he has the courage, and Western support, to dissolve or leap over the Communist-dominated Congress and its Soviet-era con-

Stitution, nasty relics of the nasty past.
Plainly, deep reduction opens the
country to risks and opportunities. The
only person who can focus American tion on both is President Bill Clinton. So far, he has chosen to tell us only the good stuff.

In the interests of all Americans, including the president, the time has come for another nationally televised seminar. Mr. Clinton could treat us like grownups, by opening himself to sustained pubquestioning and debate on defense. The critical question: At what point

does the reduction in nonnnelear strength increase the danger of nuclear war, perhaps started by the United States itself? That concept was an essential part of the decision to build up U.S. nonnuclear strength Let's assume that the West does not do

now to North Korea what it should --- try to take out its nuclear-weapons capacity as the Israelis did to the Iraqis in 1981. Assume that some years from now the North Korean leaders, full of confidence in their nuclear shield, make the mistake again of invading South Korea. They will pick a time when the United States is involved in another military crisis — say in the Middle East. Would an Amer-



Army counted in millions, with nuclear weapons, be able to resist the military "logic" of a nuclear first strike?

And suppose Middle East terrorists make the United States a constant target. Suppose the United States knows they are sponsored by a state with access to portable nuclear weapons. With reduced U.S. forces could a new Desert Storm be organized as swiftly as the last?
With what coalition? Would reduc-

tion make a nuclear strike the answer to the approach of nuclear terrorism? And this: The possibility that Comnists will again dominate Russia, and make alliances with nationalists in other former Soviet states, also nuclear, does that make no difference at all in American strategic thinking?

And what is U.S. strategic thinking? There may be excellent answers to these questions. But we need judgments on risks as well as opportunities, not only from journalists or congressional supporters but from the one man who carries responsibility for the safety of the American people.

So far, Mr. Clinton reminds me of an editor I knew, who listened while a recently promoted reporter complained that he had been told all the good things about the big new job, but not the acute drawbacks. Son, said the editor, I figured you would find those out by yourself. That really is not good enough, not for a man who wants not just to be a good president but a great one.

under military government like Belgium and northern France, but under a civilian. Reichskommissar Seyss-Inquart (who would be banged at Nuremberg).

N EW HAVEN. Connecticut — 1 crossed my first border as a teen-

ager, an Amsterdam high school stu-

dent. The year was 1942, an unhealthy

year for traveling in Europe. Holland had been under German occupation since May 15, 1940; as it was earmarked for annexation by Hitler, it was not put Therefore, the border between Holland and Belgium had been sealed, with a

#### **MEANWHILE**

stretch of no-man's-land on each side. But the Dutch government-in-exile was assembling an army in England, and a number of us, with the help of underground organizations, were trying in get there and join. I had taken the train from Amsterdam

to Breda, in the south, which was as far as it then went. I had my bicycle in the huggage car, and I had the address of a smusgler in Zundert, a village near the border. He was a passeur, as we then called it, a man who helped volunteers nd refugees and escaped POWs across.

I bicycled from Breda to Zundert and got a casual reception at the smuggler's farm, It was all in a day's work for him.

His fee consisted of my bicycle, and his daughter was going to lead me across. It may seem the height of callousness that would risk ber life for the price of a bicycle, but the point was that the smuggler family did not take the German patrols very seriously. They were amateurs, he told me, they were messing around in what was his territory, his expertise.

The girl and I set out in the early evening. She lost her way, though, and we ended up very visibly running

By Hans Koning

Crossing Borders, Opening Doors

through the fields in order to get me to my destination in time. That destination was the last tram of the day to Antwerp, leaving from a little town on the Belgian side. I just made it - I was the last passen-

ger to jump on — and then I had to go back out onto the open balcony of the transcar in order to fish my Belgian monev out of my shoe to pay for my ticket. It was a 50-franc bank note, which a friend in Amsterdam had given me. As I stood there on one foot, it almost blew away, and that would have been the end of my voyage and of me right there. But I voyage and of the right there. But I caught it, and I got to my next address, in Brussels, and so on in Liege, in Monthermé in France, a long trail that eventually led me to England and the army. I wasn't being heroic; I was too young to be properly scared. It intrigues me to see how prosperous

and peaceful that part of the world now looks. Yet I find it difficult in grasp that those fields and woods will never again be fought over: I still see them as the marches separating the Second and the Third Reich from Western Europe. The local names — Liège, Arras, Abbéville, Sedan, Verdun, the Marne River — will always sound in me like battle names; but all that's left from those years is the belt of soldiers' cemeteries running from the North Sea to the Swiss border, and the soldiers' parents, wives and loves, they themselves now a vanishing species. Yet whenever I cross here from one country to another by train or by car, I unavoidably think for one moment of my first crossing and it still strikes me as odd when a German or a French border guard just waves me through. The memory of that first crossing with

the smuggler's daughter is a happy one. Ever since, I have looked upon borders less as oppressive barriers than as doors, passages, fire exits, offering a fresh chance—even if it was just a matter of a weekend visit. Those small differences of new license plates, new beer ads painted on blank walls, and then the men and women working in the fields or walking by with their different idea about where the focal point of the world lies, and their

Whenever I cross a land border here, I think of my first crossing and it still strikes me as odd when a German or a French guard just waves me through.

different words for that idea: All that constitutes a renewal, an adventure. Border formalities have never seemed a nuisance to me, not even on the auto-bahn going from West to East, where a bad-tempered or bored East German official might take an hour looking at each page of your passport and your magazines. To the contrary, those hassles (or maybe "meetings" is the word I want) gave me a sense of continuity with Europe's past, with its classic escape dramas, be they out of its history or out of its literature. They make us aware, they give width and depth to our wanderings. The world becomes a larger and more mysterious place, I for one am glad that European Community unification isn't as easy as the experts predicted.

#### On Rights in Singapore

In response to my column ("Human Rights Should Be a Common Concern,"
Opinion, Feb. 18), Bilahari Kausikan of
the Singapore Foreign Ministry takes exception to two points (Letters, Feb. 25). First, he argues that preventive deten-

tion and other emergency measures such as those imposed by the government are acceptable under international humanrights law. In fact, international standards strictly limit the duration of such measures and permit them only in extraordinary situations that "threaten the life of the nation."

The government of Singapore has imposed preventive detention and other emergency measures on its citizens continuously since 1965. Both the duration and circumstances under which these measures are now applied constitute a clear violation of international law.

Second, Mr. Kansikan argues that Singapore's economic growth and stability can only be maintained by draconian restrictions on press freedom, by stifling dissent and by refusing to allow independent human-rights organizations to function. While such actions are

carried out under the banner of stability and economic development, after 25 years it has become increasingly difficult for Singaporean officials to combat the growing perception that these arguments mask a more base desire to monopolize political power.

MICHAEL H. POSNER. Executive Director. Lawyers Committee for Human Rights.

#### Hope It's for Love

Regarding "High-Powered Princess Takes a Bow" (Report, Jan. 20):

I can only hope that Masako Owada sincerely loves Prince Naruhito, heir to the imperial throne of Japan, because if she does not, her future looks quite unhappy. I find it difficult to believe that a woman who has lived largely in the West (Britain, France, the United States), and who has held a responsible executive position could be happy submitting to the rules of the Japanese court. Surely, the example of Diana, Princess of Wales, demonstrates the conflicts that exist between a loveless royal existence and the

life of a modern woman with thoughts and feelings of her own.

# Thailand and Its Neighbors

Regarding "The Thai Role in Cambo-dia" (Letters, Jan. 28) from Salchip Krairiksh, Thailand's director-general

TRACY A. HART.

I am truly sorry if my article ("Let Thailand Take the Him and Stop the Phonder," Opinion, Jan. 14) was perceived as being unfriendly to Thailand. My intention was just the opposite that is, as a friend, to alert the Thai government to the potential longerterm problems in international relations that might be engendered by irresponsible or shortsighted exploitation by Thai companies of neighboring ountries' resources. My article did not state nor imply that

the root cause of the current deadlock in Cambodia" comes from trade across the Thai-Cambodia frontier. I would certainly agree that Thailand has made many constructive contributions to peace in Cambodia. I indeed hope that the Thai government and Thai "traders"

relations with Burma and Indochina will emphasize mutual long-term interests and benefits. This would contribute to building long-term peace and stability in Southeast Asia.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MARK J. VALENCIA.

#### Where the Surplus Went

Many corporate and business "experts" bemoan President Bill Clinton's roposed corporate tax increase because it would take away the "asset" they need to create jobs: surplus dollars. Yet for the past decade these corporations have had that "asset" and used it for huge mergers and salary increases for top management. To say that the big risk of Mr. Clinton's plan is its slow payoff is also ludi-

crous. I haven't seen any payoff for 12 years of the biggest deficit spending in history — except for more millionaires. DAVID E JAFFE

#### On Homosexual Troops

A lesbian and a veteran of the U.S. Army, I oow live in the Netherlands, Beek, has made it his personal mission to create a more welcoming climate for gay men and lesbians in the military. Mr. ter Beek was honored by the Dutch lesbian and gay movement for his work at an award ceremony on Dec. 17.

whose minister of defense, Relus ter

What is surprising about the issue of homosexuals in the military is not that we are there, but that we believe in defending a country where we are despised and where our rights are not protected.

SHELLEY ANDERSON. Alkmaar, Netherlands.

#### Occupation vs. Secession

The war of Bosnian and Croatian Serbs against Croats and Muslims is frequently compared to Hitler's 1938 occu-pation of Czechoslovakia. The analogy is clearly false. Germany occupied a neighboring country, sovereign for 20 years, ostensibly to protect the German minority from mistreatment by Czechs. Serbs in Croatia and Bosnia started armed resistance to prevent secession of these areas from Yugoslavia before anybody recognized the new states.

The Serbs' decision to go to war against secession may be judged prema-

legitimate under both the Yugoslav constitution and international law. We should condemn brutalities, but try

to understand the cause. The act of secession was wrong, and recognition of Croatia and other splinter states without all parties' agreement has been a disaster, VLADIMIR COOCH.

Tianjin, China,

#### Let There Be Peace

Wednesday is St. Patrick's Day, but my thoughts are very sad. I think of department stores in London being bombed. I think of innocent people being shot to death in front of their families. I think of roadblocks in Northern Ireland. I think of inhuman atrocities being perpetrated by Roman Catholics against Protestants and vice versa. I

keep hoping that love will conquer hate. The Irish scholar Sir John Pentland Mahaffy once said: "In Ireland the inevitable never happens and the unexpect-ed constantly occurs." I challenge the adversaries to show the world how to resolve differences in a peaceful, amicable manner. That will be my dream as I

ture, cruel and unwise, but it was fully dine on corned beef and cabbage with MAURICE FENICHEL.

Union, New Jersey.

#### Rampant Crime

Regarding "The City's Finest Declined to Find My Pathfinder" (Meanwhile, March 3) by Lucy S. Danziger:

I can sympathize with Ms. Danziger. I moved to Birmingham, Alabama, after having lived in Europe most of the past 30 years and soon came face-to-face with American criminal elements. My home was burglarized and I suffered quite a loss, including things that had belonged to my deceased mother. To this date, not a single detective has visited me or attempted to investigate.

I was told by telephone that they were

too shorthanded and busy investigating murders, shootings and rapes, and that burglaries were at the bottom of the list. With all of Europe's turmoil, I never felt unsafe there. But I am afraid here in this place that is called the "Magic City" and wonder when will this madness end.

MILDRED DREWS. Birmingham, Alabama.

#### GENERAL NEWS

## \*France's Socialist Savior Surveys the Cliff

By Alan Riding

New York Times Service VERNOUILLET, France — For a politician hailed as the only man who can rescue the Socialist Party after its expected drubbing by conservatives in parliamentary elections next Sunday, Michel Rocard seemed strangely dispirited as he campaigned in his district.

Only last month, the former prime minister stirred enthusiasm among his dejected Socialist colleagues by promising to lead a broad new movement of reformed Communists, environmentalists, centrists and Socialists. They promptly closed ranks around him as their best hope of winning the 1995 presidential elections.

But, moving through an open-air market in this village-turned-suburb last weekend, almost ignored

BONN — The German police registered 141 crimes by rightist extremists in January and February, a drop of nearly 40 percent from a year earlier and from more than 500 in September, Interior Minister Rudolf Seiters was quoted

Mr. Seiters said in a newspape

interview published Tuesday that the number had declined from 228

by shoppers as he shock hands and said "Bonjour," Mr. Roeard seemed to personify the widening gulf separating the political clite of France and its deeply disenchanted grass roots.

Known more for his sharp intel-lect than his populist touch, Mr. Rocard has never made it secret that he dislikes campaigning.

"You've seen me having m sell
myself all morning," he told reporters. "Do you think it's agreeable?"

But this time, at 62 and running in his 14th election campaign, his problem is more serious. For all his prominence on the national stage, Mr. Rocard is in danger of losing his seat in the National Assembly If he does, his plan to lead the "new" Socialists back to office will suffer a major setback.

clearly declined from 518 last Sep-tember to 70 in January," he told

The minister said the drop came from a crackdown launched after

three Turks were killed in Novem-

ber in a firebombing committed by

But Mr. Seiters said the level of

ightist violence was still too high.

has been charged in Hamburg with

inciting racism by singing that non-Germans were "foreign whores," prosecutors said Tuesday.

Separately, a far-right rock band

the weekly Weltbild.

"He was prime minister for three

Germany Reports Large Drop

In Crimes by Extreme Right

years in a Socialist government that failed," a middle-aged man said after airing some complaints to Mr. Rocard. "I think people will remember that. The rest is just politics." the president dropped him as prime minister in May 1991.

Yet, in Vernouillet and even in nearby Conflans-Ste.-Honorine, a medieval town on the Scine where the Mr. Rocard has served as movement.

Certainly among ordinary voters in this district in the department of Yvelines, west of Paris, the Socialist Party's struggles to survive the expected debacle are of minimal interest compared with the worries caused by unemployment, Third

World immigration and the like. As a result, while Mr. Rocard did his rounds here, sticking his head shyly into shops and later "working" a shopping mall, he heard no words of encouragement about his own plan to run for the presidency in 1995. Instead, when people stopped to chat, it was to bemoan the Socialist legacy.

Mr. Rocard is not the only leading Socialist who may be punished in balloting next Sunday and in a second round of voting on March 28. Polls say a conservative coalition may win as many as 430 seats in the 577-member National Assembly, sweeping many current ministers out of Parliament.

President François Mitterrand, who first brought the Socialists to power in 1981, will then be required to name a conservative prime minister and "cohabit" with a conservative government in the final two years of his second sevenyear term in Elysée Palace.

Oddly, Mr. Mitterrand's own larity is considered one of Mr. Rocard's principal assets: the two men have always been political rivals. In the current campaign, Mr. Rocard has asserted that the Socialists' troubles began only after

Mr. Rocard has served as mayor since 1977, disappointment with Mr. Mitterrand's 12 years in office seems to blur with a general distrust of all politicians and parties. Reflecting this, in the seventh district of Yvelines, instead of a traditional left-right battle at the polls, Mr. Rocard is being chal-lenged by 12 other candidates, in-cluding representatives of the far-right National Front and an

environmentalist alliance. This further hurts his chances Although he seems assured of a place in the runoff between the two top vote-winners, candidates who take more than 12.5 percent of bal-lots also can take part in the second round. If the environmentalist flagbearer were to do so, she would take crucial support from Mr. Ro-

In this case, then, the man most likely to win his seat would be Pierre Cardo, the 41-year-old conservative mayor of nearby Chante loup-les-Vignes, who works at a local Peugeot factory. The person who would make this possible would be Monique le Sanx, the "green" candidate. Thus, a few thousand local voters could redefine the national political scene. Sounding anything but overconfident, Mr. Rocard insists he still

expects to win re-election. But in private his aides are already preparing for the worst.

This campaign and his plan to revive the Socialist Party are two

# VIEWPOK

The Commerzbank report on German business and finance

#### German monetary policy: a re-run of the past?

Although German monetary policy had been under attack in the rest of Western Europe for some time, criticism only gathered momentum at home towards the end of last year, when it became clear that western Germany's economy was weakening. With moneymarket rates down from their mid-1992 peak, the debate is now focusing on the timing and scope of future reductions of the official rates.

Only twice in the past 20 years, in 1973/74 and 1980/81, were the discount and Lombard rates near their summer 1992 levels, and in both cases, a recession followed. As the monetary reins were loosened, the Lombard rate not taking into account the apecial Lombard facility - was lowered by 4.5 and 4.0 percentage points, respectively, in the space of eighteen months, and the discount rate was cut by 3.5 points.

#### Changed economic environment

If the Bundesbank were to act now as it did then, we could expect a Lombard rate of about 5.5% and a discount rate of 5.25% by the start of 1994 - elearly more dramatic cuts than the markets currently seem to anticipate. Will we see a repeat of the past? With a rise of 31/2% estimated for

1993 as a whole, consumer prices are elimbing much more slowly than in the two earlier periods. And almost 1 percentage point is due to the increases in the value-added tax and in administered prices. However, Germany's inflation rate is eurrently higher than in many other industrial countries. What is more, the prospect of European monetary union has made a high degree of stability even more essential.

"Economic-policy debate should not solely concentrate on stimulating demand".

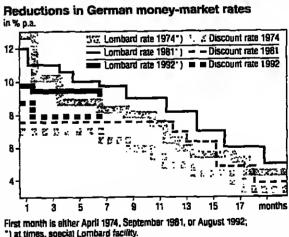
If inflation is to be brought down, wage discipline is a must. The 1993 pay increases are for the most part compatible with the Bundesbank's implieit inflation target of 2%. To achieve this, of course, wage moderation will be needed beyond 1993.

Although the Bundesbank's underlying philosophy precludes "fine tuning", the weakness of demand in western Germany will nonetheless play an important role in the timing and scale of interest-rate reductions, as tensions in the EMS have done. While the odds are in favor of a mild recession this year - especially compared with those of 1974/75 and 1981/82 - a more severe downturn cannot be ruled out. If the economy shows no signa of recovering

over the next few months, the Bundesbank will move more decisively. Its scope for action will be limited.

though, given unsustainably high budget deficits and, more importantly. the performance of the D-mark in the foreign exchange markets. A sharp fall is opposed by the Bundesbank not only because it would fuel inflation via import prices but also in view of the prominent role of the German currency internationally as well as in the EMS.

In 1993, we expect a partial correction of last year's sharp appreciation of the D-mark and a continued firming of the dollar. Within Europe, slow growth and high unemployment in most EC countries will prompt them to use any scope offered by a weaker D-mark to lower their own interest rates, thereby stabilizing the German currency. Admittedly. in the early 1980s, money-market rates also fell while the dollar appreciated. However, over the same period, the D-mark rose sharply within the EMS.



All in all, the key lending rates should decline considerably in the course of 1993, though not as much as in the mid-1970s and early 1980s. The Lombard rate should have reached 7% or lower by year-end. While monetary easing is vital for a recovery, economic-policy debate should not solely concentrate on stimulating demand, thereby totally neglecting the more urgent task of promoting mediumterm growth.

#### Sylvain Floirat, French Industrialist, Dies at 93 vice president since 1957, into the fore expanding his interest to the bone cancer Thursday in New

industry with interests that spanned aeronantics, publishing and luxury hotels, died Sunday, the radio station Europe | said without claborating.

bringing to become a major indus-

listened-to stations.

highly profitable defense, telecommunications and aeronautics firm Matra.

Born Sept. 28, 1899, in Nailhac in the Dordogne region of south-central France, Mr. Floirat founded his first company at the age of 28

companies. He launched into bus production and truck transport, before expanding to aeronautics. He was president of Breguet Aviation from 1955 in 1967. In the 1960s, Mr. Floiret men-

publishing company Hachette be-

Filipacchi group in 1984. Mr. Floirat also owned luxury hotels, the principal concern of the new conglomerate Matra-Ha-

Alberto Franco Nogueira, 74, Portugal's foreign minister from 1961 to 1969 during the dictator-ship of Antônio Salazar, died on Michael Kania, 83, a playwright

"Woman of the Year," died in J. David Grey, 57, an expert on

Ricardo Arias Espinosa, 80, pres ident of Panama from 1955 to 1956, died of cancer Monday in

Panama City. cer Tuesday.

June Valli, 64, a singer who appeared on television variety shows from the 1950s through the 1970s

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in the first two months of last year as the result of a crackdown on neo-Nazi violence against foreigners and other extremist acts.

> PARIS - Sylvain Floirat, 93, who became a captain of French

Son of a postal worker and trained as a builder of aum bodies, Mr. Floirat defied his humble up-In 1955, he bought the ailing radio station Europe I and presided over the company for 30 years,

transforming it into one of the most At the same time, he helped develop Maira Engins, where he was

in the Paris region.

He rescued numerous failing

Hepburn-Spencer Tracy film clasaged television and magazine pub-lishing companies. In 1981, he be-Los Angeles. came an administrator at the

and screenwriter who shared an Oscar in 1942 for the Katharine

the author Jane Austen, died of

Chishu Ryu, 88, a veteran actor who appeared in movies by the Japanese directors Yasujiro Ozu and Akira Kurosawa, died of can-

and was the voice in the Chiquita Banana commercial, died of cancer Friday in Fort Lee, New Jersey

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U.S. Trade Deficit Yawns Desert Storm Payments Dried Up in '92

Compiled by Our Staff From Disperches WASHINGTON - The U.S. current-account deficit, the broadest measure of trade performance, widened abruptly last year because foreign contributions for American military leadership dried up, the Commerce Department said Tuesday.

"Cash contributions from coalition partners in Operation Desert Storm held down the current-account deficit in 1991, but no sizable contributions were received in 1992," said the

official report.

The total deficit shot up to \$62.4 billion, from \$3.7 billion in 1991, when the United States was receiving cash contributions from military allies for its leadership in the successful campaign to ous: Iraq from Kuwait.

The Commerce Department said the 1992 shortfall in the U.S. current account was the widest gap since it totaled \$92.12 billion in 1990.

The cash payments artificially held down the 1991 current-account shortfall and distorted the statistics on U.S. trade performance.

The current account measures trade not only in merchandise but also in services, as well as

During the fourth quarter last year, the defi-cit widened to \$22 billion from \$15.8 billion. A slimmer quarterly deficit on merchandise trade was more than offset by smaller surpluses on services and investment income and by higher government grants than in the third quarter.

The deficit on merchandise trade in the fourth quarter fell to \$26 billion, from \$27.6 billion in the third quarter.

But the U.S. surplus on services like travel and insurance fell to \$12.9 billion, from \$15.7 billion. At the same time, the fourth-quarter

Many analysts had also expected the current-account deficit to widen last year as weakness in economies overseas cut into U.S. exports. Exports had been one of the few areas of strength in the American economy in the last

that new housing construction rose 2.5 percent in February, propped by a rebound in apart-

February's annual rate of 1.208 million starts followed an 8.4 percent decrease in January to 1.178 million, earlier reported as a 7.2 percent loss to 1.19 million.

But the Commerce Department noted in its report that single-family housing construction lost ground for the second consecutive month. "The lower mortgage rates aren't helping the markets as well as they should," said Marco Babic, an economist at Evans Economics in Washington.

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Finance	90,85	90.54	+0.34	Consumer Goods	86.93	87.27	-0.39
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#### MEDIA MARKETS

## No Thrills, but Wolters **Delivers Happy Endings**

By Jon Henley Special to the Herold Tribune

like these spell solid profit growth at Europe's largest legal publisher, Wolters Kluwer NV. Not generally as well known as Dutch publishers such as Elsevier and VNU, Wolters has topped the Amsterdam exchange's best-seller lists for three years — a run investment analysts see continuing even at Wolters' current high prices.

"We may not be exactly glamorous, but you can be sure of no oasty surprises from us," said

Cor Brakel, an executive board Its business is Wolters on Tuesday reported need-to-know, not net earnings up 21 percent for 1992 at 258 million guilders nice-to-know' (\$1.38 million), compared with information. 214 million guilders in 1991, matching forecasts and marking

the fourth successive year in which it has boosted profits by more than 20 percent. Revenue was marginally down at 2.36 billion guilders, from 2.38 billion the

The company has targeted average annual sales growth of 7 percent from general operations through the 1990s, with another 5 percent seen coming from acquisitions. It is aiming for average fully diluted earnings growth of 15 percent per share through 1994.

Share analysts agreed that Wolters Kluwer's products are not thriller material, but said that investors whose preference lies with a well-constructed plot and a happy ending will not be disappointed.
"It's a very, very good grower," said Philip van den Berg at Goldman Sachs International in London, adding that Wolters was

Goldman Sachs International in London, adding that Wolters was a well-managed company in a high-margin business. Since early 1990, Wolters' stock has outperformed the general market's CBS index by 45 percent. The shares last week hit a record of 90.90 guilders ahead of the results. On Tuesday, they closed down 1.70 guilders at 88.10 guilders.

Wolters sells virtually nothing to the general mass-market consumer. Its business is in what Mr. Brakel calls "need-to-know, out nice-to-know" information, including books, journals and high-tech products like CD-ROM and electronic data systems for professionals from accountants to teachers.

professionals from accountants to teachers. The company has operations in eight European countries as well

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## VW Net **Tumbles** By 87%

#### López Is Named Production Chief

BONN - Volkswagen AG, Enrope's largest carmaker, said on Tuesday that its net profit had tum-bled 87 percent in 1992, and that it would slash its dividend to 2 Deutsche marks from 11.

A company statement issued after a much-anticipated supervisory board meeting also said José Igna-cio Lopez de Arriortua, former purchasing chief of General Motors Corp., would join VW's manegement board with immediate effect and head a new production and purchasing division.

VWs group net profit in 1992 tumbled to 147 million DM (\$88.5 million), from 1.11 billion the year before, and the profit of the parent company, which mainly reflects domestic operations, fell to 132 million

DM from 447 million DM. Strong sales in the first half of 1992 helped VW boost group revenue for the full year by 12 percent, to 85.4 billion DM.

VW had blamed weak sales in the second half, the strong mark and provisions for cuts in its work force for its poor 1992 performance. In addition to the cut in its com-

mon stock dividend, VW cut its dividend on preference shares to 2 DM each from 12 DM in 1991. Its total payout was reduced to 66 mil-lion DM from 369 million DM.

VW's supervisory board also ap-proved a reshuffle of top manage-ment under the aegis of Chairman Ferdinand Piech. Mr. Lopez, 52, will replace Gunter Hartwich, 57, as the man re-

sponsible for VW's global produc-

Dieter Ullsperger, 47, chief fi-nancial officer, will leave VW and be replaced by Werner Schmidt, 60, formerly head of sales. Ulrich Seiffert, 51, responsible for

research and development, will The arrival of Mr. Lopez, who is known as one of the toughest managers in the industry, is seen by analysts as signaling a fundamental change of attitude at VW, away from the single-minded pursuit of expansion and market share.

# Britain Aims for Growth, for Now

By Erik Ipsen
International Herald Tribins

LONDON - Britain's chancellor of the Exchequer presented a budget on Tuesday that quickly won plaudits for its reluctance to trample oo the fragile recovery in prospect for this year while promising befry tax rises to rein in an exploding government deficit be-

giming next year.

This is a budget for sustained recovery, a budget for jobs, Norman Lamont told a packed House of Commons in a detailed speech lasting nearly two boars, while pausing only twice to sip his Scotch and water.

For the fiscal year beginning in April, the chancellor pledged that his proposals would

from users of company cars and smokers and turning it into aid for everyone from home buyers to the long-term unemployed. That neutrality will shift with an unexpected vengeance next year, however. "In subse-quent years, my proposals will build in a wedge of steadily rising revenues," Mr. La-mont said, pointing to total tax increases of

be broadly ocuiral, clawing a bit of money

£6.5 billion (\$9.3 billion) in the fiscal year beginning April 1994, and £10 billion for the

The need for such huge revenues to be raised was underlined by the chancellor's own surprisingly gloomy predictions for next year's oublic-sector deficit, a figure he pegged at £50 billion - equal to 8 percent of Britain's gross domestic product.

"I do not believe that borrowing on this scale is acceptable." Mr. Lamont said.

He went so far as to brand the steady rise in the government's borrowing as the greatest threat posed to the recovery of Britain's flat-tened economy. In spite of his predictions of growth of 1.25 percent this year rising to 3 percent in the first half of next year, Mr. Lamont insisted that it would be folly to simply wait for "the recovery to solve all our problems."

To demonstrate the government's commit-ment to curbing its deficit. Mr. Lamont said he would not wait. Instead, be will seek to put his new tax measures into law this year even

effect until the following year.

Among the more important revenue raisers was an extension of the value-added tax to cover domestic fuel and power bills. In 1994, those charges will carry a VAT of 8 percent, a rate that will then rise to the full VAT level of 17.5 percent in 1995. Once it is fully in place, that tax will yield £3 billion in revenues for the Treasury every year. A smaller amount will flow from a 3 percent real rise in gasoline

Mr. Lamont carefully painted his fuel and energy taxes as consistent with the government's desire to do its bit to combat global warming. He also painted it as a blow to Brussels, forestalling any carbon tax that might be leveled by the EC Commission. Tax policy should continue to be decided here in this bouse and not in Brussels," said Mr. Lamont.

National insurance contributions will also rise next year. The chancellor will increase the tax rate there from 9 percent to 10 percent

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## Late-Braking Mazda Goes Into a Skid

By Steven Brull

International Herald Tribune
TOKYO — When Japanese car sales surged in the bubble economy of the late 1980s, executives at Mazda Motor Corp. saw a chance to emerge from the second pack of Japanese automakers and pull up behind the industry leaders, Toyota Motor Corp. and Nissan Motor Co.

Like most of its domestic competitors, Mazda went on a spending spree. The Hiroshima-based company nearly tripled its capital investment to open an ultra-modern plant, design new sports and huxury models and double the number of domestic dealerships. The aim was to satisfy what appeared to be an emerging generation of wealthier, more confident consumers.

For Mazda, even more than its rivals, the strategy seemed to be paying off. Profits jumped starting. in 1989, thanks in good measure to the MX-5, a sexy two-seat open car known as the Miata in America. It was an instant hit that transformed the company's image from a maker of dull, boxy passenger cars to a slow to hit the brakes on spending player in the market for sporty, nigh-tech vehicles,

Yet for a company that nearly went bankrupt in the mid-1970s. when high energy prices braked demand for its gas-guzzling Wankel roury engine, success was like a **Downshift at Mazda** Net sales in trillions of yen Profit in billions of ven Current profit

narcotic. It was slow to notice the impact of the bursting of Japan's bubble economy of stock and realestate speculation. So even though the Japanese car market began contracting from 1991, Mazda was and product development.

The result, analysts say, is that while Mazda continues to add to an impressive lineup of vehicles — it will probably introduce another two or three models this year - its market share has been slipping the

past two years. It is burdened by a proliferation of expensive-to-make cars that often compete with each other, at a time when reducing the number of models and paring production costs has become the name of the game.

"It was very difficult for them to admit that the party was over and it was time to retrench," said Stephen Usher, an analyst at Kleinwort Benson Securities. "They lost sight of the market and their cost structure." Mazda, of course, is oot the only

hangover from the bubble era. Nissan, for example, has slid into loss. But few companies were as late to shift into reverse as Mazda, and few demonstrate better how the excesses of the bubble era will drain Japan's corporate energy for years

"In hindsight, our mistakes are easy to see," Mazda's president, Yoshihiro Wada, said in an interview. "But I'd like you to show me one company that wasn't aggressive then," he said.

Mazda has been forced to announce a series of embarrassing retrenchments that will blunt its ability to expand into Western markets. The first moves came last summer, when the company withdrew from sponsoring a team in the Le Mans ear race and ended sup-port for the Mazda Japan Classic golf tournament

These, however, were minor in comparison with last October's decision to abandon plans to set up an independent sales network in the United States and Canada for a oew line of luxury vehicles under the Amati nameplate. Mazda also said it would drop development of one of two Aman models. Mazda had hoped to rival Toyo-

ta's Lexus, Nissan's Infiniti and See MAZDA, Page 15

## **Investors** Bail Out Of Olivetti

#### Cash Call Sends Shivers Through The Milan Market

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MILAN - Shares of the comouter maker Olivetti SpA fell nearly 20 percent Tuesday as investors gave a negative response to the company's plan for a massive 903 billion lire (\$562 million) capital

Olivetti's fall led the entire Milan market lower because investors wor-ried the big cash call would drain money from other market sectors. The general index lost 1.07 percent.

Things fell on Olivetu and it was an overall rotten day," said a trader at IMI Securities in London. Olivetti's stock was suspended from trading Monday when the rights issue, aimed at boosting growth and investment at the ailing

computer maker, was announced. On Tuesday, Olivetti common shares slumped to 1,825 lire, from Friday's 2,202 lire. In after-bours trading the shares were down further, to 1,780. Analysts predict the shares could go as low as 1,300 lire. The new shares are being sold at

1,000 lire apiece. Analysts said this reflected uncertainty over Olivetti's profit outlook and the low margins in the personal-computer business. Olivetu's parent company. CIR. settled at 1,050 lire, down 10 percent from Friday, Colide, another

bolding company of the financier Carlo De Benedetti, who is Olivetti's controlling shareholder, was down 9.7 percent, to 1,138 lire. The market was further bur-

dened by concerns that the state industrial bolding company 1RI might delay privatization of its holdings, including the telecommunications company STET and Banca Commerciale Italiana, Fiat SpA's common stock fell sharply after its official closing, as

investors grew nervous that the automaker would follow Olivem's example and call on the market for capital, brokers said. Fiat was quoted at 5.320 lire in after-hours trading, after the market close of 5,520, down from Monday's 5,560 (AP. Bloomberg, Reuters)

## The Uneasiness Spreads MSTERDAM — "EEC Legislation" and "VAT Briefing" may not be everyone's idea of a fun read, but titles like these spell solid profit growth at Europe's largest In Hong Kong Business

By Kevin Murphy

HONG KONG - Business in Hong Kong is hunkering down to ride out another round of instability as China and Britain remain at odds over political reform.

Especially at risk are businesses sensitive to a downturn in confidence, and they are bracing them-selves for a difficult few weeks. Luxury retailers, car dealers, commercial real estate salesmen and corporate dealmakers can suffer when wait-and-see stock-market senti-

ment affects other major decisions. Although the stock market rose 2.1 percent Tuesday on bargain ing after a two-day, 8 percent slide, local investors were still jit-tery about China's intentions.

"The immediate question is whether China is irritated that the stock market is not trembling enough," said Clive Rigby, manag-ing director of Lippo Securities. "People are worried about what China may say or do next, but this is ssentially a bull market because of

what is going on over the border."

Hong Kong's governor, Chris
Patten, said Thesday that he still
hoped to meet with Chinese officials to discuss his democratic re-form proposals. He told reporters: "We set out at the end of the week our position and no one, I think, has questioned its reasonableness."

An offer made in London on Monday by the British foreign secretary, Donglas Hurd, to open talks

on Hong Kong's political future went unheeded by Beijing, but the Hang Seng Index regained 125.43 points to close at 5,980.04 on volume that shrank from Monday's International investors seeking

exposure to China's booming econ omy have largely ignored the diplo-matic fall-out that arose when Mr. Patten on Friday gazetted plans to capand the electoral base for 1995 elections to Hong Kong's Legislative Council. Foreign buyers have been credited with feeling both the Hang Seng's year-long rise and Tuesday's turnaround.

Steep drops in stock prices experi enced in November and December last year, when the Hang Seng fell from a then-record high of 6,447 to 4,978 in a few days, apparently took their toll on consumer confidence in the top end of the market for fashion and automobiles last year.

Analysts are watching closely to see if rattled investors will neces sarily shy away from big-ticket purreported in the pre-Christmas retail season last year. Some observers blame softness in sales of luxury goods on Hong Kong's high infla-tion, 9.4 percent in 1992, but others say market downturns and political

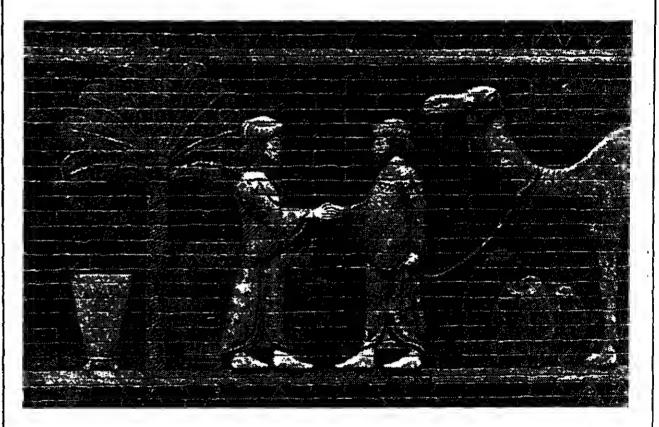
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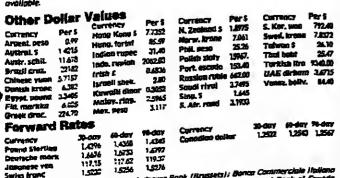
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## Wall Street Pauses **Ahead of Price Data**

exceeds economists' forecasts, the ain's plan to cut taxes on oil prostock and bond markets will encounter big problems," said Michael

#### N.Y. Stocks

Lenahan, head trader at James Capel. Economists estimate consumer prices rose 0.3 percent in February. The Dow Jones industrial average added 0.54 to close at 3,442.95.

Declining common stocks outnumbered advancing issues by a narrow margin. About 217 million shares changed hands on the Big Board.

Inflation concern resurfaced last week, when the Labor Department said prices paid by wholesalers climbed 0.4 percent in February, the higgest jump in inflation at the producer level since November 1990. If the CPI report reveals a sharper rise than expected, "I

think you could see a pretty big sell-off, said Jim Benning, a trader at BT Brokerage.

rise continues to hang over this market," said Mr. Lenahan of

NEW YORK — U.S. stocks closed little changed Tuesday amid gest gains Tuesday. Investors, burned by the dismal performance of traditional "growth" stocks like concern that Wednesday's consumer price report may reveal a resurgence of inflation.

"If the rise io consumer prices also were buoyed by Britduction July 1.

Britain's plan to lower production taxes would benefit companies such as British Petroleum Co., Exxon Corp., Mobil Corp. and Amerada Hess Corp., analysts said. BP's American depositary receipts rose 14 to 52%. Exxon gained 4 to 64. Mobil advanced 1% to 69% and Teraco rose 14 to 63%. Texaco rose 14 to 63%.

Bearish earnings outlooks from Fli Lilly & Co. and Marion Merrell Dow Inc. triggered a slump in drug

Lilly dropped 2 to 48% after the pharmaceutical maker said it expects first-quarter earnings to drop to about \$1.20 to \$1.30 a share from \$1.51 a year ago. Lilly said sales of anti-infectives were hurt hy a relatively mild flu season and

increased competition.

Marion Merrell Dow plunged 3% to 19. The drug company expects r at BT Brokerage.

"Concern that inflation is on the see continues to hang over this sarket," said Mr. Lenahan of because of a big decline in U.S. sales James Capel.

Oil stocks, followed by telephone and electric utilities, posted the big-

#### Rumors of Higher Yen Take Toll on Dollar

NEW YORK — Disappointing U.S. trade and housing data along with a surge in demand for the yen put pressure on the dollar on Tues-day but the markets remained can-

tious and edgy amid continuing swirls of rumors about a possible cut in German interest rates. Elsewhere, the pound jumped against the dollar and the mark as

#### Foreign Exchange

the government's budget plan left British interest rates unchanged and kept alive the prospects for economic recovery.

The dollar began its slide against the yen after Japanese news reports said C. Fred Bergsten, a leading economist, was advising the Clinton administration to work to strengthen the Japanese currents. strengthen the Japanese currency by 10 percent.

Though Mr. Bergsten is not a member of the administration, the renewed speculation was enough to convince some investors and traders to buy the yen and sell the dollar, traders said.

The dollar closed at 117.05 yen on Tuesday, down from 118.60 yen on Monday.

The pound was able to hold firm

because the British budget did oot include an interest-rate cut nor did it tighten fiscal policy enough to trim the large government deficit, said Lisa Finstrom, currency ana-

lyst at Lehman Brothers. "Lamoot wasn't terribly restric-tive," she said. "He was obviously intent not to put the brakes oo a fragile U.K. economy.

The pound climbed to \$1.4485 from \$1.4347 and to 2.4111 Deutsche marks, up more the two pfennig from 2.3860 DM.

The fragility of the U.S. economy was underscored Tuesday by news that U.S. bousing starts rose just 2.5 percent in February after many economists had expected a rate over 4 percent.

After stumbling in early trading, the dollar later regained its balance to finish little changed against the mark at 1.6646 DM, little changed from 1.6622 marks on Monday. Traders doubted that the dollar

would move much from current levels before the Bundesbank council meets Thursday to review mone-The dollar closed at 1.5255 Swiss

francs, up from 1.5227 francs, and at 5.6555 French francs, down from 5.6335 francs.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen asked Congress on Tuesday for \$45 billion to fimish the cleanup of insolvent savings institutions and warned that the United States would pay a far greater price if the money were not provided.

"I know... it is a tough vote," Mr. Bentsen told the House Banking "I know... it is a tough vote," Mr. Bentsen told the House Banking Committee. "But I also know that this is a vote for depositors, for the Committee. "But I also know that this is a vote for depositors, for the Safety of our financial institutions, and that if we fail to meet this obligation, we will pay a far greater price and deservedly so."

The \$45 billion would be split. The Resolution Trust Corp. would get say by Sept. 30. The rest of the money. \$17 billion, would go to a new insurance fund, the Savings Association Insurance Fund, which would handle future failures. It would replace the Federal Savings & Loan Insurance Corp., which in effect went bankrupt in 1989.

The White House said the \$45 billion represented an \$11 billion increase beyond the amount President Bill Clinton proposed in his economic package.

Wang Files a Reorganization Plan

BOSTON (Bloomberg) — Wang Laboratories Inc. on Tuesday filed a reorganization plan in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, and its co-president, Donald P. Casey, said the former minicomputer maker could be profitable again by concentrating on software instead.

Mr. Casey predicted the company would show a profit in financial. 1994, starting July 1, after taking several steps to revamp operations. Wang will sell most of its factory space, including a Taiwan facility and a printed circuit-board plant in Methuen, Massachusetts. The company will retain minority stakes in some of the factories, which will be sold to local partners, Mr. Casey said.

As a result, Wang will fire another 3,000 employees from its payroll of about 9,300 over the next few weeks.

#### General Mills Lifts Earnings by 7%

MINNEAPOLIS (UPI) — General Mills Inc. reported Monday earnings of \$140.9 million, or 86 cents a share, for its third quarter ended Feb. 28 — up nearly 7 percent compared with \$132.1 million, or 80 cents a

share, in the year-ago quarter.

Earnings for the period included a charge equivalent to 5 cents a share to cover costs for restructuring Snack Ventures Europe, a joint venture with PepsiCo Foods International that became operational last July.

Revenue for the latest quarter rose to \$2.01 billion, from \$1.87 billion in the year-ago period, which ended Feb. 23, 1992.

Marion Merrell Expects Weak Quarter

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Marion Merreli Dow on Tuesday alerted investors that its first-quarter results would be disappointing.

Analysis had been expecting the company to earn 62 cents a share in the quarter ending March 31. But the company said per-share profit could be an expectage.

could be as much as 70 percent lower.

Fred Lyous Jr., president and chief executive, broke from a long-standing policy of not issuing performance projections because the company wanted to "clarify what our preliminary results are telling us."

U.S. Study Urges Exporter Subsidies

WASHINGTON (AFP) — An advisory commission on competitiveness recommended Tuesday a sharp increase in subsidies to U.S. exporters at a time of mounting tensions between Washington and its European

In a report to President Bill Clinton and Congress, the Competitiveness Policy Council said the Export-Import Bank should nearly double its annual credits, to \$20 billion.

"The United States must push hard — through multilateral, regional and bilateral negotiations — to open foreign markets to American products," the report said.

## Swiss Act to Perk Up Bonds

ZURICH — The Swiss National Bank said Tuesday it would allow banks based abroad to syndicate Swiss franc bonds issued by non-Swiss borrowers, a move that analysts said would make the market more competitive and increase limitaling competitive and increase liquidity.

On Monday, the Finance Ministry had removed a new-issues stamp tax on foreign bond issues. Market officials say both changes could have a profound long-term impact.

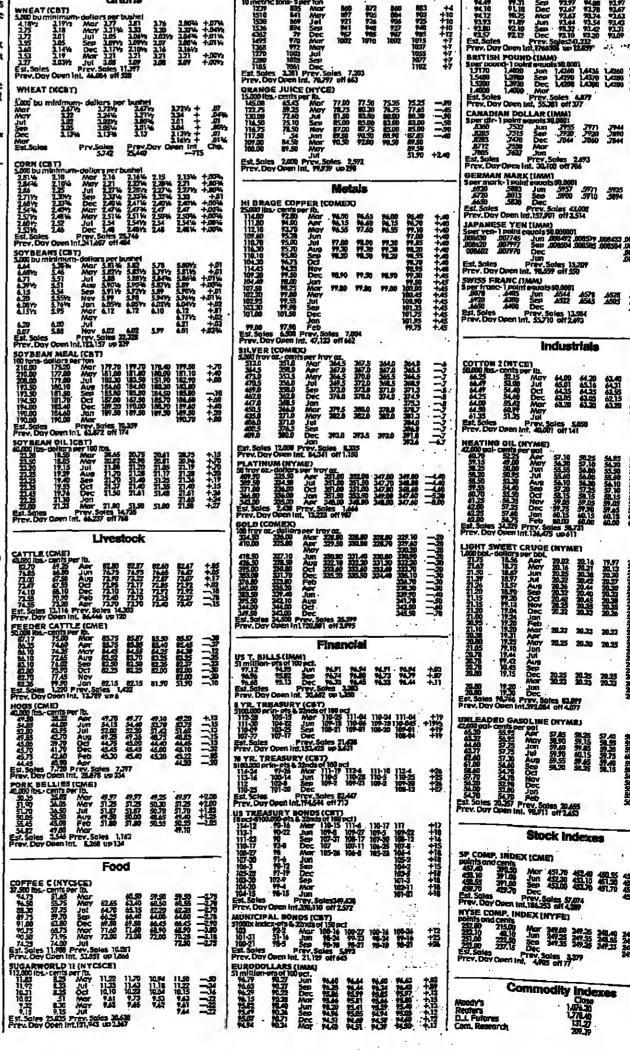
A Swiss Bank Corp. bond market analyst, Matthias Wirz, said the abolition of the new-issues stamp tax removed a disadvantage that had already been nudging business in London's direction.

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# Speculators Target the Franc

# Focus Is on Election, Bundesbank's Intentions

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PARIS — The Bank of France the next government may be tempted to let the currency float so that it acted to support the franc against the Deutsche mark on Tuesday for the second day running currency dealers said, as speculative selling continued ahead of the French elections and the Bundesbank

in late trading, the franc was at 3.3984 per mark, little changed on the day. Selling pressure was scouched by the Bank of France's discreet support for the currency at around 3.3995, traders said. The central bank did not operate openly in the currency market, traders said, but indicated its willingness to buy at about that level.

Foreign investors are borrow-French francs in the money market, notably in one-month maturity instruments, to short it," said Antoine Bouet, international economist at Société Générale.

The franc is being undermined by the approaching general election and investors' perception that

can cut interest rates and spur economic growth. The first round of the election is this Sunday.

dampened by the statement Monday by its president, Helmut Schle-In addition, some investors apsinger, that inflation at 4 percent parently do not believe the Bundeswas still running too high. But Mr. Bouet said that in conbank will lower its official interest rates at Thursday's meeting of its trast, other Bundesbank officials

policy-making council. had underlined the role of M-3, the key German money supply measure, in the Bundesbank's credit French Companies See policy decisions. No Imminent Recovery "It's always the same thing prior

Knight-Ridder PARIS — Industrial production generally stagnated in February and companies see no early recovery, the Bank of France said Tuesday.

Summarizing the findings of its monthly business survey, the bank said that industrial output was "stationary" last month after dropping in January. "In this uncertain context, business leaders expect no upturn in production in the next few months," the bank said.

## Airtours Bid for Rival Is Scuppered by Cook

LONDON - Airtours PLC said Tuesday that its £265 million (\$382 million) bid to take over a rival travel company. Owners Abroad Group PLC, had failed It blamed the competing bid launched last week by Thomas Cook.

As the offer deadline was reached Tuesday, Airtours said it had bought \$2 percent of Owners' common shares and 44.65 percent of its convertible preference shares. This brought to 43 percent the number of shareholders who had accepted Airtours' offer or sold it their shares. That was not enough in allow the company in acquire Owners.

The Airtours chairman, David Crossland, blamed the "spoiling action" by Thomas Cook, the German-controlled travel company that is 86 percent owned by Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale and 14 percent by Lufttransport-Unternehmen KG, or LTU.

Thomas Cook on March 8 made a counteroffer for a 12.5 percent stake in the company if the Airtours bid failed. That same day, Cook bought an 8.4 percent stake in Owners Abroad on the open market. Thomas Cook and LTU acted to preserve their strategic alliance

with Owners Abroad, which was unveiled in January. "Naturally, we are disappointed that LTU/Thomas Cook's spoiling action carried the day," Mr. Crossland said.
"More than half the shareholders in Owners Abroad have effectively

shown their unwillingness to support the company's future direction he said. He said that, as one of Owners Abroad's biggest shareholders Airtours would keep an eye on developments at the company.

Airtours' stock fell 11 pence to 327. Owners Abroad's stock also lost 11 pence, in 127. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

conductor manufacturers said Tuesday the price of their products would not increase following the minimum price undertaking by South Korean makers announced by the EC Commission.

# Expansion **Hits Ruble**

The ruble, used in Russia and li traded at about 415 per dollar

world markets but twice-weekly sessions on the Moscow exchange give about 60 Russian banks limited opportunities to buy and sell dollars. Alexander Sarchev, chief advisor to the currency exchange, said he expected a further slide in the ruble "following the news that the Central Bank is issuing new credits." The fresh money, estimated at 1.5 trillion rubles, would "create additional pressure on the money market."

The bank chairman, Viktor Gerashchenko, told the Congress of People's Deputies last week the bank would make loans to the gov-ernment to help finance the deficit.

Mr. Gerashchenko also defended the bank against charges it had fueled inflation by recklessly bailing out failing state enterprises.

In Wolfsburg, Germany, a Bundesbank board member said Tuesday that as long as Russia was making no attempt to stabilize the

(Reuters, AP)

# Monetary

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MOSCOW - The ruble slipped to a new low on the Moscow Interbank Currency Exchange on Tuesday, sliding to 662 rubles per dollar from the previous record of 653.

some former Soviet republics, has been under pressure for months amid fears that Russia is not doing enough to control scaring inflation and spiraling monetary growth. at the start of the year.

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He said the government's attempt to create a Western-style market economy had been badly handled and the bank had been forced to do something. "Attempts to achieve financial stabilization by pursuing an unjustifiably tough credit and monetary policy will sharpen the number of social and

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Dassault Electronique SA said it had a net loss of 226 million francs (\$40.4 million) in 1992, compared with a profit of 64 million francs in 1991, mostly because of a restructuring charge of 210 million francs. Standard & Poor's Corp. said it bad lowered the debt ratings of several French banks, including Banque Indosuez, Compagnie Bancaire, Banque Paribas and Compagnie Financière de CIC et de l'Union Europeenne.

 Rantarunki, Finland's leading steel company, said its losses last year amounted to 524 million markkaa (\$27 million), compared with a loss of 926 million markkaa the previous year.

 About 400 supervisors went on strike at Ford plants at Dagenham and Southampton in England in protest at job cuts and a restructuring plan. General Motors Corp. and Siemens AG have won an order totaling 1 billion Deutsche marks (\$600 milbon) order from Burlington Northern Railroad to supply 350 diesel locomotives, Siemens said.

 Westa SA, Poland's biggest private insurance company, has been declared bankrupt, the Finance Ministry said. Tate & Lyle PLC's share price has been boosted by the three-year high

in sugar prices reached after last week's storms in the Americas, which damaged sugar cane crops, analysts said. • George Wimpey PLC said its pretax loss widened to £112.4 million

(\$162 million) in 1992 from £16.1 million in 1991. AFX, AFP, Reuters, Bloombers

## Last Springtime Run At the British Budget

LONDON - For many economists, the most important and undoubtedly the most appealing thing about Tuesday's official unveiling of the budget is that it will never happen again. "It is an anachronism which I am very happy to see go," said Peter Warburton, an economist with Robert Fleming Securities.

In the future, the outline of the government's revenue-raising plans, which was traditionally presented in the spring, will be combined with its spending plans in a single blockbuster budget to be set out in late autumn.

But the old system is not going quietly. In the City of London, economists labored fitfully to complete as much as possible of their analysis of the budget before the Chancellor of the Exchequer actually made his speech. Accounting firms, property firms and others had set up hotlines staffed by phalanxes of experts ready to give their opinions.

"It bas gotten more and more competitive," explained Tom Rose, a spokesman for Coopers & Lybrand, a firm which also produces a pre-budget "race card," giving odds on the likelihood of various tax changes, "The media needs our expertise and we get some exposure out of it."

British newspapers blocked out page after page for covering the budget while radio and television stations showed similar singlemindedness. But the one thing the media cannot promise is excitement. "Anything like this that gets hyped up out of all proportion is likely to prove a disappointment," said John Maples, the former Economic Secretary to the Treasury,
This year, even some government officials have sniped at the

budget process. Under the rules known as pre-budget "purdah," Treasury officials are barred from making public ntterances about the economy for the two-and-a-half months it takes to prepare the budget. That has left other officials unhappily taking the flak over rising unemployment and the slow recovery.

## BRITAIN: A 'Budget for Jobs'

(Continued from first finance page) and net the Treasury £1.8 billion annually in the process.

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Mr. Bouet said. "You always get contradictory statements. The

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Speculation about a German

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leaders of Germany's regional

states agreed over the weekend on a

"solidarity pact" to bring public fmances back into balance after

unification. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

fuse markets."

Mr. Lamont said that four successive cuts in interest rates, of one percent each over the last six months, had done much to lay "the foundation" for economic recovery. He also made it clear that he planned no future rate cuts.

It was now time for British exporters aided by a devalued pound and thus lower costs to seize their opportunities in foreign markets, Mr. Lamont urged. In order for those exporters to maintain their competitive edge, the chancellor in-sisted that Britain would "never" sign the Social Chapter of the Maastricht Treaty on European union, legislation designed to en-

sure equal levels of worker benefits across the Community. "We must continue to resist job-

destroying measures emanating from Brussels," the chancellor said. He warned that heavy tax and regulatory burdens imposed by many European governments on their industries risked pricing their prod-ucts out of world markets. He contrasted that with the performance of British exporters, who racked up record sales in the fourth quarter of last year.

The economic slowdown in Europe will have its consequences for Britain, however. In part because of weaker continental demand. Mr. Lamont predicted that Britain's current-account deficit would widen from £12 billion in 1992, to £17.5 billion this year.

#### On Korean Chips Bloomberg Business News

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The European Electronic Component Manufacturers Association. which represents all European producers of dynamic random-access memories, or DRAMs, said the price undertakings from Korean ex- economic problems," be warned. porters were "vital for the European semiconductor industry."

The Korean dumping hit the European industry at a time when it was just about to recover from ruble, foreign aid to the country previous Japanese dumping prac- made little sense. ices," the association said.

#### KLUWER: Few Thrills, Big Gains **ECCENTRIC:** The Incredible Case of the Disappearing Spanish Engineer

broad re-examination of operations at GM, an automaker that still makes about 70 percent of its

With outside suppliers, like makers of steel and tires, he pressed for substantial price cuts that many manufacturers said were unreasonable. The United Automobile Workers union eyed him warily, fearful that his notions would inevitably mean fewer jobs.

On Monday, Mr. Smith, his eyes rimmed red with emotion and expaustion, had to stand before a room full of reporters at the automaker's beadquarters and announce that Mr. Lopez was gone, after all; the reporters had been invited to hear details of the 52year-old executive's promotion.

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said he had called Mr. Lopez by telephone that morning. sounded very upbeat," Mr. Pearce said. Antonette Simonetti, a GM public relations manager, said she conferred with Mr. Lopez until late morning on what he was going to say about his new job. "He was fine," she said, "I am

totally baffled and confused. He was going to say that this is a comits customers, it will win." The high-stakes bidding war for

Mr. Lopez's services in some ways and VW have become to secure that rare executive who has a track record of performing high-level feats of financial and manufacturing derring-do.

Mr. Smith first learned of Mr.

Lopez's ideas about cost-cutting and manufacturing seven years ago when the latter was a lowly industrial engineer working in GM's as-sembly plant in Zaragoza, Spain. Mr. Lopez, a fiercely passionate Basque native, succeeded during

"It is not clear to me what his the last year where others had lions of dollars in costs and tearing ers who were believed to be inefficient,

Executive power was not the only item on Mr. Lopez's wishlist. "A major consideration for Inaki" was his idea for building cars with less than 10 bours of labor per car. said Mr. Smith, compared with 20 or so bours of labor at the most efficient plants. Mr. Lopez tried to persuade GM to build a new assembly plant, incorporating his theories, in Spain's Basque region.

"We told him it was something we would do if we needed to build GM can channel those things to another car in Europe," Mr. Smith

Two months ago, VW came knocking. Mr. Smith tried personal diplomacy, calling Ferdinand Piech, the German automaker's newly installed chief executive, to ask him to back off. Then, in early February, GM promoted Mr. Lopez to group executive in charge of worldwide purchasing, making him one of the automaker's top dozen

Outwardly, at any rate, it seemed to many that Mr. Lôpez was auctioning his services to GM and VW. the winner getting him as the prize.

## publishing.

pursuing an aggressive but narrowly targeted takeover campaign. It bas snapped up over 20 mainly small, fast-growing publishers in niche markets since 1989.

It made its third major acquisition this January, buying the profit-making Swedish educational and legal publisher Liber, which bas annual revenue of some 320 million guilders. Mr. Brakel said Wolters

munity in the mid-1990s and may be able to boost income from legal Together with business publish-

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# Japan's Surplus Edges Higher

Growth Rate Slackens as Exports Decline

TOKYO — Japan's trade surplus grew at the slowest pace in almost one and a half years in February, when 29 months of uninterrupted export gains came to an end, the Finance Ministry said Tuesday. The decline in exports, the first since May 1990, mainly reflected a

slump in shipments to Europe notably Germany, Britain and France — although exports to other major markets such as South Korea and Canada were also down.
The overall surplus grew by 3.7

**County NatWest Sells** 

Tokyo Exchange Seat

TOKYO - Akane Securities Co. has bought County Nat West

Securities Japan Ltd.'s seat on the Tokyo Stock Exchange for 943

County Natwest Japan, a unit of National Westminster Bank PLC, in December became the first foreign member of the Tokyo exchange to say it would give up its seat. Business on the exchange has slumped over the past two years with the bursting of Japan's

County NatWest paid 983 million yen for the seat in May 1988.

in addition to the payment to County Natwest, Akane will pay

157 million yen to the exchange for deposit and admission fees.

Akane, a member of the Osaka Securities Exchange, is 90 percent

East Japan Railway Likely

To Go Public This Summer

million yen (\$7.9 million), exchange officials said Tuesday.

"bubble economy" of real estate and stock speculation

owned by Orix Corp., Japan's largest leasing company.

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said Tuesday they expected the planned initial public offering of

stock in East Japan Railway Co. to

go ahead this summer at a price

million yen per share.

between 200,000 yen (\$1,690) and 2

East Japan Railway is expected

to be the first of the state-owned

Japanese railway companies, which

were made into corporations in the

mid-1980s, to be floated publicly.

First meetings with securities an-alysts, held Monday, reinforced the

likelihood that the company would

complete its awaited listing later in

It operates the network in the

central Tokyo area, extending

through the northern portion of the

Central Japan Railway, which

primarily operates the bullet-train

main Japanese island of Hooshu.

the year, officials said.

TOKYO - Securities analysis

percent from a year earlier, to \$10.6 tariffs in April, a Finance Ministry billion, and was up from \$5.3 bil- official said. lion in January. The increase marked two years and two months of uninterrupted growth and pro-pelled the imbalance in the first 11 months of the current fiscal year to a record of almost \$99 billion.

Exports fell by 0.5 percent to less than \$28 billion, while imports fell by 2.8 percent to \$17.4 billion. The decline in imports reflected the Japanese recession and, to some extent, a reduction of purchases of beef before a further reduction in

and West Japan Railway Co.,

which operates in the western por-

tion of Honshu, are also likely to be

floated over the next 18 months,

been seeking for some time to float

the companies, but the weak stock

market for the past three years has

resulted in plans being deferred.

Now it is likely that applications

The Ministry of Transport has

brokers said.

exports dropped 14.4 percent to \$4.9 billion. Imports from Europe fell by 8.2 percent to \$2.2 billion. Japan's trade surplus with the United States, its biggest trading partner, grew by 19.2 percent to \$4.4 billion during the month.

■ Lotte to Import Gum

Lotte Corp., a major Japanese candy maker, has begun marketing chewing gum produced at its U.S. subsidiary to cope with the recent appreciation of the yen, United Press International quoted a company official as saying Tuesday.

Japan's trade surplus with the

European Community narrowed by 18.7 percent to \$2.7 billion, as

The Japanese currency has gained against the dollar so rapidly that it is cheaper for Lotte to im-port its U.S.-made products rather than to manufacture them in Japan, the official said

## Beijing Still Can't Get a Handle On Its Runaway Budget Deficit

BEUING - China's finance minister warned Tuesday of "great financial difficulties" as he announced another large budget deficit this year, bloated by subsidies to state industry and runaway

Liu Zhongli told the legislature that the total deficit for 1993 was forecast at 84.4 billion yuan (\$14.8 billion), compared with a deficit of 90.49 billion ypan in 1992.

The main problem is that revenues have failed to keep pace with an explosive increase in spending on capital construction that fueled economic growth of 12.8 percent last year.

At the same time, Beijing has been impoverished by the crumbling of state industry, which once accounted for almost all of China's industrial production but whose share has now dropped to 55 percent. Central government relies on state enterprises for about 70 percent of its revenue. "Certain departments and localities did too many things and launched too many projects with-out taking into consideration their ability and

financial capacity," Mr. Liu said.

He complained of an overstuffed bureaucracy, local authorities handing out too many tax breaks

to industry and lax management that led to waste Total revenue for 1993 is forecast at 452.23 billion yuan, up 8 percent from 1992. Expenditures are put at 472.737 billion yuan, up 6.8 percent.

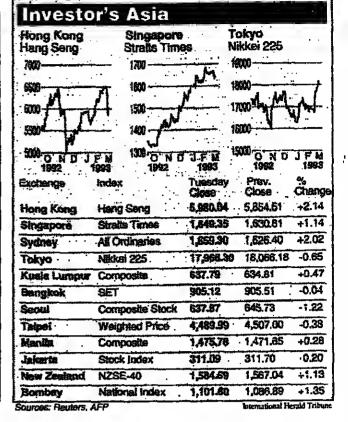
This will produce a shortfall of 20.5 billion yuan. compared with 23.74 billion yuan in 1992. However, domestic bonds worth 37 billion yuan and 26.9 billion yuan foreign debt will swell that total. Such debts last year amounted to 66.74 billion yuan.

Mr. Liu offered some hope for collapsing state industries, saying a campaign to shake up the socialist sector with capitalist-style methods had begun to show results. He said there was an overall reduction of 4.2 percentage points in the losses of government enterprises in 1992.

Total industrial subsidies this year are forecast at 38.85 billion yuan compared with 44.57 billion yuan last year.

However, this is only a fraction of the total spent by central government to keep state industry affoat. It mainly covers the cost of compensating energy producers for being forced to sell at artificially low prices.

Huge bank loans that are unlikely ever to be repaid bail out unprofitable industrial companies.



# Pepsi Signs Up for Return to Vietnam

By Ken Stier

BANGKOK — Pepsi-Cola Co. signed documents Tuesday committing it to become a jointventure partner in a Vietnamese bottling operation after the U.S. economic embargo is completely lifted, a Pepsi spokesman said. This would make it the first major U.S. company to publicly declare its return to Vietnam.

The move should give Pepsi an important lead in Vietnam's soft-drink market, which is expected to grow rapidly with Vietnam's 68 million people.

A commitment letter says Pepsi will invest \$10 million - \$5 million in equity, \$2 million for the first year's marketing, with the balance for materials and training — once the embargo is completely lifted, according to Barry J. Shea, president of Pepsi-Cola International, South-

east Asia region, who signed on the company's behalf in a ceremony in Ho Chi Minh City.

Pepsi has already persuaded the current Miss Vietnam, a 17-year-old musician and actress, Ha Kien Anh, to appear in television commercials for Vietnamese channels.

With these and other preparations, Pepsi could be rolling off the bottling lines in two weeks, when the embargo is expected to be completely lifted, according to Mr. Shea.

Pepsi's partner, International Beverage Co., is itself a joint venture between the Macomdray Group of Singapore investors and Saigon Co., made up of three local Ho Chi Minh City government ventures, including two bottling interests.

IBC this week begins production of a range of carbonated drinks from Cadbury Schweppes, the British beverage company, which ranks third in the world.

IBC has the country's most modern facilities, which will have a capacity of 30 million cases when all four of its bottling lines are completed. That is roughly the current total national demand for soft drinks, but demand is expected to more than double in the two years following lifting of the embargo, before settling down to an expected 10 percent to 15 percent annual growth rate for the next decade.

Peosi's announcement comes just a month after Coca-Cola said it had signed a memo of understanding with two government companies, Vietnam National Foodstuffs Import & Export Corp. and the Chuong Duong Beverage Factory, to continue discussions that "could lead to the eventual establishment of bottling operations.

Vietnam National Foodstuffs has an extensive distribution network but the Chuong Duong plant needs substantial upgrading.

#### Very briefly:

 Hitachi Ltd. and Toshiba Corp. plan to boost production of 4-megabit dynamic random-access memory chips in line with the recovery of demand in the United States. Hitschi will raise production to around 8.5 million units a month by July, while Toshiba will go to 7 million.

· Nomura Securities International Inc. said in New York it had introduced the Nomura Research Institute-Asian/Pacific 200 Index; the index will measure the performance of 200 major stocks in Australia, Hong Kong, Indonesia, South Korea, Malaysia, the Philippines, New Zealand, Singapore, Thailand and Taiwan.

• Groupe Bull, the French computer concern, will increase its interest in PSI Data Systems of India to 51 percent, from 40 percent, PSI said. Onomichi Dockyard Co. will buy a 51 percent stake in Colombo Dry Docks Ltd. for 316 million Sri Lankan rupees (\$6.8 million).

• Thailand's economic ministers have approved a 7 billion baht (\$275.7 million) project to construct 234 kilometers (146 miles) of new rail lines. That Oil Co., the Petroleum Authority of Thailand, Mitsubishi Oil Co. and British Petroleum Co. will sign a joint-venture contract this month to build a \$400 million oil-production facility, a Thai Oil executive said. AFX, Bloomberg, AFP, Knight-Ridder

## MAZDA: Braking Late, Carmaker Can't Avoid a Skid UNEASE: Disquiet Spreads in Hong Kong Business

(Continued from first finance page)

for the East Japan Railway listing will be placed with the Tokyo Stock Exchange in May after the company's accounts for the year ending in Honda's Acura brands that are competing with European makes such as BMW and Mercedes-Benz. March are audited. This would mean that the initial public offering This niche has become key for Japwould probably be conducted this anese makers as political pressures reduce the number of exports to the summer and a listing would be like-United States, Mazda now will ly in September, analysts said. probably have to sell its high-end "At the moment, the share marcars through its existing North ket, meaning investors, brokers and American dealer network.

the company itself, are positive on the listing, said Junko Ota, an Another thump came earlier this analyst with UBS Phillips & Drew. month, when the company an-

Ford Motor Co.

That decision, ending nearly four years of study, effectively means that for years, Mazda will be unable to boost its share in the European Community, the world's largest car market, to which Japanese car exports are controlled

Mazda, like other Japanese makers, plans to cut the number of

nounced that it had dropped a plan model variations it sells as well as to produce cars in Europe with the number of parts it uses through Ford Motor Co. the form of parts it uses through greater standardization. It will also pare development costs through swaps with domestic makers.

For example, it is discussing a plan to buy vans from Nissan for sale under its own name and sell the No. 2 Japanese carmaker small pickup trucks; likewise, it is considering buying diesel engines for a new small-sized passenger car from Isuzu Motors Ltd., instead of

against the cost of getting a Canadian passport if they haven't already got one," said Tim Storey, an analyst with the H.G. Asia brokerage.

Mainland Chinese real estate investors, who pushed Hong Kong commercial property to new heights in 1992, have generally gone quiet since the Sino-British dispute escalated in November 1992.

"Any positive news would be erected with a resurgence in market his controversial proposals in the

(Continued from first finance page) activity in the commercial sector," Legislative Council means Hong Kong's political situation could be said Nicholas Brooke of the real estate group Brooke Hillier Parker. in limbo for several weeks, if not months. Apart from large investors issu-

Mr. Patten's refusal to be drawn

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"Despite all the megaohone polines, the stock market is showing resolution." he said.

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# SPORTS BASE

# **Jackson Passes Test:** Slide on Artificial Hip

The Associated Press It was another big day for players making difficult comebacks.

... Bo Jackson passed another major test Mon-day for the Chicago White Sox when he landed on his artificial left hip while scoring a run in a game against the Pittsburgh Pirates in Braden-

In Fort Myers, Florida, Fernando Valenzuela and Bert Blyleven continued their comebacks with mixed results: good for Valenzuela, bad for Blyleven.

With the hases loaded and none out in the sixth inning, Ron Karkovice flied to right and Jackson tagged at third, then had to slide to beat the throw by Orlando Merced.

"I wanted to slide on my right side, but I just instinctively slid on the left side," Jackson said. "Once I got running, everything went out the window. Every day, I'm getting better."

He played six innings at first base and was 2 for 3 with a walk. He also made a diving catch of Jay Bell's liner in the fifth. He is batting .333, with eight hits in 24 at-bats, this spring. The White Sox will decide by March 25 if

they want to keep Jackson on the roster. Valenzuela, whose major league career appeared to be over after he was cut during a fivemonth period in 1991 by the Los Angeles Dodgers, then the California Angels, threw ihree scoreless innings in the Baltimore Orioles'
6-3 victory over the Minnesota Twins.

'My velocity was a lot better, and I had good rotation on the curveball," said Valenza "but my screwball stayed up a little bit. It's hard to have everything good at the same time." Blyleven's string of six consecutive scoreless

innings came to an end when he gave up five second-inning runs. "Other than that one inning I've been consistent," Blyleven, 41, said. "My arm feels fine. Everybody is pitching well."

Valenzuela, 32, is competing with Mark Williamson, Anthooy Telford, John O'Donoghue,

and non-roster invitees Mike Cook, Steve Searcy, Wayne Edwards and Jamie Moyer for the Orioles' fifth starter role.

In his second appearance since signing a Class AAA contract Feb. 28, Valenzuela allowed one hit and one walk and never was seriously threatened.

In his first game, he pitched two scoreless innings last Thursday against Toronto, Valen-zuela threw 39 pitches against the Blue Jays, 40 against the Twins, and the Orioles' manager, Johnny Oates, wants like him to throw 50 pitches in his next outing Friday against Phila-

Mike Felder, who was supposed to be Seat-tle's starting left fielder and leadoff hitter this season, suffered a broken right hand in an exhibition game and will be out 6 to 8 weeks, the Mariners said Tuesday in Peoria, Arizona.

Signed as a free agent in November after two seasons with the San Francisco Giants. Felder was injured Monday while sliding into second base in the third inning in an 8-3 loss to the Giants. His hand hit the second-baseman's

Felder did not know he had broken his hand. He stayed in the game and batted twice after the injury. X-rays Monday night revealed the

Although there's oo major league commis sioner, there is a commissioner's office, and it confirmed Tuesday that the Cincinnati Reds' mascot has been banned from the field. This less than two months after Marge Schott, the Reds' owner, was herself anned for making racial and ethnic slurs.

"The executive council did not think it was appropriate," said Rich Levin, who is still spokesman for the commissioner even though there isn't one. There were numerous complaints from the players about dogs running around on the field.

Dogs being Schottzie 02.



Fernando Valenzuela pitched three scoreless innings for the Orioles.

# A Very French Cyclist Riding a Very Ex-Pat Road

By Samuel Abt mal Herald Tribune

FONTENAY-SOUS-BOIS, France - Gérard Rué is spending another bicycle season far from France. He frowned at the reminder. First Switzerland, now Spain. "It seems like a nice country," he said. "but of course I don't know much about Spain yet. It's only been a month or so." He was more decisive about Switzerland, where he spent a year as a rider for the Helvetia team.

"It wasn't easy to get along with the Germans," be said declining to elaborate. When he left Helvetia after the 1991 season, he complained that a French rider — this French rider, in any case — found it difficult in a country where the food, language and customs were not French.

Everything was French with the Castorama team, which Rue rejoined. Castorama, sponsored then by Système U, was his team from his professional debut in 1987 until he went to Switzerland in 1991. Now ranked 51st among the world's 800 professionals, Rue had productive years with the French team but oone as good as that seasoo with Helvetia: sixth place in Milan-San Remo, second place in the Criterfum International, third place in the French championship, 21st place in the world championship and a splendid 10th place in the Tour de France.

Rue is very French, he conceded. He was born in Brittany 28 years ago this July and likes everything about France and being French.

him once more into exile. That was the national champion-ship in June, a race in which Rué saw a chance to become as

slashed with the blue, white and red of the French flag. "The French jersey is a beautiful one to wear," he said "Quite a distinction." His voice grew deep and lively. "I

 Not quite everything. He frowned again, his eyebrows arching, his long chin jutting.
 He had just been asked about the bicycle race that forced French as a racer can be: a champion, the wearer of a jersey

think that for any professional racer, the jersey of a national champioo is most important."

The thought made him sit straighter. Then he rubbed his thumb against his first two fingers. "That too," be said. Money, glory, the tricolor jersey, a career in France -Rue came within 8 kilometers (5 miles) of them all in the French championship. Half a lap from the finish line, he was

off alooe. 35 seconds ahead of the pack and feeling strong, when teammate Luc Leblanc led a charge to overtake him. Setting the pace for a handful of rivals, Leblanc soared by the astonished Rue. So did those who traveled in Leblane's

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slipstream. Rue finally finished seventh, 40 seconds behind Leblanc, the winner.

A rule of the sport is that teammates do not attack each other, if a rider is alone at the front of the field, a teammate rides for the Banesto team, the top-ranked one in the sport, blocks for him, trying to slow rivals, oot speed them along,
"If Leblanc hadn't attacked, Rue would have won," said
"Tours de France and the last Giro d'Italia. Laurent Fignoo of the rival Gatorade team. "You don't do that when you have a man ahead. It's a little disgusting. Leblane was unapologetic. "I'm sure Gérard under-

stands," he said after climbing down from the victory podium and embracing his mother. "We were both strong but that's the way races go. Too bad there's just one jersey."

Stomping away from the finish, Rue was furious. "With a lead of 35 seconds and half a lap to go, I would have won."

"I deserved better. I don't know what anybody else thinks

of his victory but for me, it's Luc's victory, not the team's." Later, Leblane was asked if be thought he and Rue could continue to work together on the Castorama team. Oh sure, he answered, not to worry.

"I know what he'll be going through in the next few hours. You think I've never been disappointed in a race myself. I'm disappointed for him. But only the jersey counts and I've wanted this jersey so much for so long. I would have gone to the ends of the earth to win it."

Raymond Poulidor, the French bicycling favorite a quarter of a century ago, has long known the 26-year-old Leblanc and is fond of him. Nevertheless, Poulidor sums him up this way: "Luc's a kid. A nice kid, but a kid." He spoke after the French championship but before the world championships in Spain, where Leblanc defied team strategy by attacking alone near the finish, pulling rivals with him, while the French were attempting to keep the leaders together and set up a sprint finish for another rider.

Rué was on that team, too. By then he had announced that he could not stay with Castorama another season. Still bitter? Rue was asked the other day in Fontenaysous-Bois, a Paris suburb, where he was awaiting the start of

the Paris-Nice race. Yes, oh yes," he replied. "It's a bad memory, the worst I But there is a bright side, he continued. Now in Spain he

"Banesto, we're a little like a family. With Castorama it

was good times too, but ... "I had four years with Castorama and they were good years. And then the last year wasn't so good. After the

championship, I had to get out." He would not say more about Leblanc or the race, preferring to talk about the present and future. With Banesto, Ruc's obligations are clear, "In the Giro and Tour de France, I'll ride for Indurain, but in the classics I'll be

on my own. I hope to do something there. And then, of course, there is the French championship again." A final frown.

Now it was time for Rue to go. "An revoir," he said. Then, with a smile, be acknowledged the response: "Adios."

# An Up Beat Down Under

S YDNEY — After two weeks in Australia, we know this to be a land still discovering itself. It has re-elected a government the polls said was doomed, it is on course to divorce itself from the Queen of England and, as host to the soccer's World Youth

Championship, it is catching on fast.

Reason No. 1 is that the Socceroos, a collection of possibly every ethnic minority in this cosmopolitan country, continue winning, Reason 2, transcending the simplistic notion of sport, is the way Australians have responded to the spontaneous joy of Ghana's

The Australian newspaper carried a wonderful photograph Monday of hands stretching out to greet Ghanaians cele-

brating a 3-0 quarterfical victory

With respect to the Australian fans, not all have much feeling toward the roundball game. Australian rules, or rugby league,

is more traditional here. Yet when black hands reached out, white hands reached back in acclaim of an African team visibly

scarcely out of adolescence, wore the widest grins.

It is their imagination, their innocence, that endears them to people. They simply play soccer as it was intended, as a game. Whether it takes Ghana's team all the way is another matter, for it faces England in Sydney in Wednesday's semifinal, and England is as mature, hard and professional as you get in under-20

Before we are drawn down the road of innocence versus pragmatism, reflect once more on that image of Australia reaching out. The same newspaper carried a report on violence in aboriginal homes, with uneasy tones suggesting that the nation has never settled its conscience over the native population.

That is the point of sport. A visiting team displaying inhibition captures the heart even if only for a couple

I suggest that Ghana is not even the best, or even most bewitching, team here. To my biased eye, Brazil is that once again. But to watch Ghana play, as to have seen Camerooo at the 1990 World Cup, is to share the conviction that something new, something unknown
— and largely uncontaminated by coaching — is

Let us put names and faces to that. There is the well known Nii Lamptey, who, give or take a lot of guess-work, was 15 when some agent snuggled him out of Ghana to play for Anderlecht in Belgium's first division.

He looked then, looks now, to be a pearl of his continent, a boy in a man's body. But even he can not swear to a specific age, for Ghana is not strong on birth documentation.

Perhaps, despite the nagging doubts everywhere that countries cheat on age limits to win youth tournaments, it scarcely matters. If Nii Ordartey Lamotey is 18 or 28 he is a remarkable amalgam of speed, touch, lance and instinctive movement.

Here he ranks almost as a veteran. The same record keepers put Osei Kuffour, Mohammed Gargo and Emmanuel Duah, three of the sorcerer's apprentices, at just 16 tears of age.

THEY, TOO, HAVE been plucked from Africa. A. agent from Rome signed them, and others, as precocious investments of Torino, a new slave trade in minors that will need only one to grow into a world great to pay back the bank.

The dream final most neutrals await here is Ghana versus Brazil on Saturday. I dream of it, too. It would deprive my country of its second world finale in history, but the impact of a true final between teams that let football flow from the soul is the stuff of

place in a youth tournament because it carries the habits of men.

So far, in matches against South Korea (arguably the finest Asian side yet seen), against Turkey, the United States and Mexico, England has ground down opponents by scoring just three goals, conceding one (and that an own goal), and reaching the semifinal

after a penalty shootont.

To be fair, the English youths commit themselves like soldiers to the task. They obey the diktat: don't lose. They work and run and deprive opponents of opportunities. They score all their goals from set piece plays — two from long throw-ins, the third from a corner kick. And in alien heat, on bone hard playing

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fields, they adapt m the situation as Scrooge did to a

They are the products of their time, of the English Christmas. league structure. And they are so disciplined that when Paul McCartney put on a concert at Melbourne Cricket Ground opposite their hotel, why, the English lads said, no, they could not accept free tickets, their schedule read early to bed to prepare for the following

night's match against Turkey.

Good luck to them, though I know plenty of sons (fathers too) who could have used those tickets for a

night of musical relief. Auyway, England has left Melbourne. Australia fills the space, promising to shut down Brazil's team of starlets with just as much toil and athletic energy as

Australia, the soccer team as well as the nation, is growing before our eyes. Its coach, Les Scheinflug. growing before our eyes. Its coach, Les Scheinfing, happens to be German by birth, but he warms the Brazilian peacocks: "My boys never give up. The play for their country. They will not get stage fright like the Americans did in the last match against Brazil. We know the Brazilians, and we are equal to them."

That depends on his definition of equal. The word is that Scheinflug intends to sacrifice the positive midfield aggression of Anthony Carbone to shackle the playmaking of Brazil's Adriano, the most complete player of this tournament.

Perspiration versus inspiration. I don't knock it, for you deploy what strengths you have. But I do shudder when I consider the price Australia's captain, Kevin

when I consider the price Australia's captain, keem Minscat, is willing to pay for glory.

In the last match, against Urugusy, he scratched a thigh so badly the infection spread to his groin. During the same 90 minutes, he was dightly stunned by a blow to the head. According to the team physician, Muscat's jaw was dislocated and had to be tagged back into place. "I gave Kevin every penicillin under the group help him continue out there." added the doctor

sun to help him continue on there," added the doctor.

And this is a youth event? Heaven help the players, and their minders, when they grow up. Rob Hughes is on the stoff of The Times.

#### **UEFA** to Discuss **New Tournament**

UEFA's members will meet Thursday to discuss the proposal of federation's president, Lennart Johansson, to merge the European Champions' Cup and UEFA Cup to create a European "League of Champi,

Europe's governing body of soccer said its competi-tions committee, meeting in Geneva, will examine the implications of such a change, and that Johansson's plan will be put to UEFA's executive committee in Berne on April 21. If accepted, the new competition could be in place by the 1994-95 season.

The commission will also consider the venues for this year's major European chub finals. The Champions' Cup final is to be played May 26 and the Cup

Winners Cup on May 12.

PARIS, March 16 (AFP) 
AC Milan said it will be without its Dutch star,
Rund Gullit, for Wednesday's Champions' League
match against FC Porto as the Italian team's injury list continued to grow.

Gullit, the inspiration behind AC Milan's European Cop triomphs in 1989 and 1990, was thought to have recovered from a thigh injury. But officials said Tues-day that the strain was still a problem, and that Dejan Savicevic of Montenegro would also not start the match because of a throat infection.

• The referees of Spain's first and second divisions have called a strike for next weekend to protest recent accusations of incompetence and partiality that have major clubs.

A spokesman for the national federation said the referees action as exaggerated and said the league's weekend matches would be played even if referees had to brought up from the third division or brought in

 The World Cop match between Egypt and Zim-babwe, being replayed because of an unruly crowd at the original match in Cairo, will be contested at Lyon, France, on April 14, French soccer officials said.

FIFA had ordered the match to be played in France on March 28, but Egypt protested that this conflicted with the Moslem festival of Eid-al-Fitr. (AFP, Reuters)

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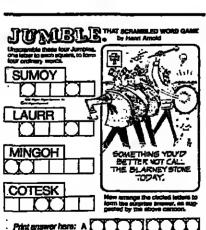
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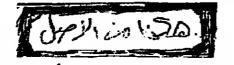






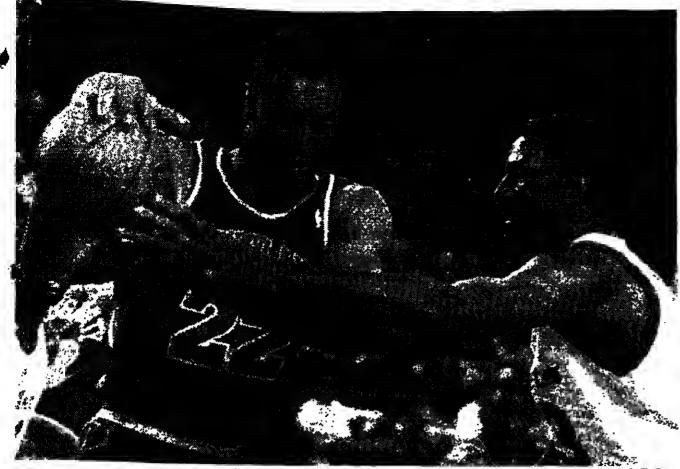


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# SPORTS BASKETBALL



TAKE THAT — Charles Jones stapped the ball away from Larry Nance of the Cavaliers as the Builets pulled an upset in their NRA game—it was to be played Saturday before a blizzard struck — and dropped Cleveland two games behind Chicago in the Central Division.

Learns and ministed with 507 points.

Hardaway, probably the best one-man show in college basket-

# A Thunderous All-America Team

## Kentucky's Mashburn and Indiana's Cheaney Lead Vote

Kentucky's Jamal Mashburn, who has said be won't be playing college basketball oext season, and Indiana's Calbert Cheancy, the most prolific scoter in Big Ten history, were the top vote-getters on the 1992-93 AP All-America team.

Joining the forwards on the first team were point guard Bobby Hurley of Duke, the NCAA's all-time assist leader, swingman Anfernee Hardaway of Memphis State and power forward Chris Webber of

Mashburn, the Southeastern Conference player of the year, received 317 points Monday in the balloting of a 65-member panel of writers and broadcasters. That was one more point than Cheaney, the Big Ten player of the year who was selected the first team oo 62 ballots. Mashburn was on 61 ballots. Players received 5 points for a

first-team berth, 3 for the second team and I for the third team. Hurley led Duke to the title game in each of his first three seasons. He enters this year's tournament with 1,060 assists and, like Cheaney a senior, was on 58 first

Karnishovas: The Making of Seton Hall's Lithuanian Hero

years ago, it used an Australian player

named Andrew Gaze who joined the team

after the Summer Games in South Korea

and left the morning after the final game in

But this foreign student is here for the

duration. Karnishovas came to the campus speaking only a bittle English, but he im-

proved watching game shows on television (a frightening thought, but true). Now be

can smile at the wave of interviewers and

say, "They just keep coming," sounding as

if he came from South Orange rather than

Karnishovas came along in the old Sovi-

et system that had engulfed the pride of Lithuanian basketball. National heroes like Sarumas Marciulionis had been the

core of the 1988 gold-medal team in Secul. When the Soviet Union broke up, Lithua-

nia made a joyous recall of fabled names

ball, and Mashburn are juniors. Hardaway received 44 first-team votes and 277 points.

Webber, the center of attention for Michigan's run to the title game last season with five freshman starters, dunked his way to 42 first-team votes and 270 points.

The second team featured junior forward Rodney Rogers of Wake Forest sophomore forward Glenn Robinson of Purdue, senior guards J. R. Rider of UNLV and Terry Dehere of Seton Hall, and junior center Eric Montross of North Car-

The third team had three seniors — guards Nick Van Exel of Cincinnati and Allan Houston of Tennessee and forward Chris Mills of Arizona — and juniors Grant Hill of Duke and Billy McCaffrey of Vanderbilt, who were teammates on Duke's first national championship

team before the latter transferred. Mashburn will enter the NBA draft in June. His tremendous inside-outside ability allowed Ken-nucky to offset the loss of four seniors from the squad that reached last year's regional finals.

He averaged 21.3 points, 8.6 rebounds and 3.6 assists while shooting almost two 3-pointers per game.

Like Masbburn's Wildcats, Cheaney's Hoosiers are a top seed in the NCAA tournament. Cheaney, age of 23 points, 8.7 rebounds and who led Indiana to the Big Ten title with a 17-1 record, averaged 21.9 points and 6.1 rebounds a game. He shot 54 percent from the field, 44 percent from 3-point range and 80

percent from the line. Hurley, like Cheaney a third-team selection last season, is the ultimate college basketball success story. After an All-American high school career under his father in Jersey City, New Jersey, he rewrote basketball history on Tobacco Road.

His statistics are impressive enough — 16.3 points, 8.2 assists and 41 percent shooting from 3point range. More important, he has led Duke to two national championships and a 17-1 tournament mark. During his stay the Blue Devils went

"As far as accomplishments go, certainly he has accomplished as much as any player to ever play in the ACC," said the Duke coach, Mike Krzyzewski. "For me, he has been the key guy for the last four years because of his overall tremendous impact on every game he plays. Certainly he is most deserving of ing 49 percent from the field, includ- this All-America honor and 1 am

There is very little Hardaway age of 23 points, 8.7 rebounds and 6.5 assists per game backs that up. The Memphis native was forced to handle much more this season with the early injury to forward David Vaughn, but nothing stopped him as he led the Tigers to another NCAA tournament berth. Hardaway and Mashburn were honorable mentions

Webber burst on the scene last season with his fabled classmates and he certainly wasn't bothered by a sophomore jinx. The Detroit na-tive plays around and above the rim, as shown by his 62 percent shooting mark. He averaged 19.2 points and 9.8 rebounds for the Wolverines, a No. 1 seed in the NCAA field. His one weakness is foul shooting - 55

"People don't know what this means to me," he said. "It's great to be carned with the others that made this team. People just don't realize bow much this means to me."

This is a great and well-de-served honor for a player who prioritizes winning above all else, including personal goals," said Michigan's coach, Steve Fisher. "What seperates Chris Webber is

#### SIDELINES

#### Granville Again Wins Hurdle Race

CHELTENHAM, England (Reuters) — Top jump jockey Peter Scudamore won the prestigious Champion Hurdle for the second time in his career Tuesday when 13-to-2 shot Granville Again held off 50-1 outsider Royal Derbi to win by a length.

Granville Again is a full brother to the 1991 winner, Morley Street, who finished far back in Tuesday's 18-horse field. Halkopous, at 9-1, finished third, another 2½ lengths back while the 7-2 favorite Flown, faded in the final straight after challenging for the lead.

#### NBC to Telecast Celebrity Golfers

NEW YORK (AP) - NBC announced that it will televise two of the five tournaments on the new Celebrity Golf Association Tour. The CGA will play its first tournament March 25-28 in Austin, Texas. The CGA has more than 100 members from the sports and entertainment worlds, including Michael Jordan, Lawrence Taylor, Jack Wagner, Dan Marino, Phil Simms and Randy Quaid.

#### For the Record

Mervyn Key, the chairman of South Africa's Kyalami track where the Grand Prix season opened Sunday, was granted bail after being arrested and charged with fraud, forgery

and exchange control charges alleg-edly involving as much as 60 mil-lion rand (\$12.7 million). (AFP) James (Buddy) McGirt, who lost his welterweight title to Pernell Whitaker on March 6, underwent

two hours of surgery in which the tom subscapularis teodon in his left shoulder was reattached. Dootors said he can expect to box again in about a year.

All-Star center of the NBA Houston Rockets, agreed to a four-year contract extension through the 1998-99 season that reportedly is worth \$34 million. (UPI)
Charly Mottet, the former top-

ranked bicycle racer, is to have an operation on his left hip next week after falling Friday in the Paris-(Reuters) Nice race. Crisanto España of Venezuela will defend his WBA welterweight

title in Belfast on May 5 against David Gonzales of the United (AP)

#### Ouotable

 Guard Hosie Grimsley of Florida, after being called a top defen-sive player: That usually means you can't shoot."

Last summer, Karnishovas went through a rite of passage that few Ameri-can college players will ever again enjoy. NDAY'S RESULTS

rebounds with those long arms.

By George Vecsey

New York Times Service

Summer Vacation," by Arturas Karnisho-

NEW YORK - "What I Did oo My

They didn't really ask him to write this

essay when he came back to Seton Hall University last fall. Business majors with a

3.2 grade point average have more compli-

What he did last summer had a great

deal to do with Seton Hall blowing Syra-cuse right out of New York's Madison Square Garden on Sunday, 103-70, in the

final of the Big East tournament.

Karnishovas led Seron Hall with 20

points and 10 rebounds, a 6-foot, 8-inch

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New Zealand 1st Innings: 224 New Zealand 2nd Innings: 201-5 Result: New Zealand won by five wickets

When Seton Hall went to the Final Four like Marciulionis, Arvidas Sabonis and Rimas Kurtinaitis.

Another Lithuanian player in the Grateful Dead tie-dyed warmups in Barcelona was Karnishovas, who had settled at Seton Hall because of the American connection of Marciulionis and Donn Nelson, the enthusiastic assistant coach with the Golden State Warriors.

"I played a lot of games, a lot of experi-ence," Karnishovas said. "Just the way I played. It wasn't as disciplined. They saw what I could do.

"Sabonis is the best passer in the world. A 7-4 center. Every time you cut down the middle, be'd give you the ball. It was

And in his spare time, be was receiving an education from Nelson and Marciulionis, who showed him how professionals put the ball on the floor and barrel to the basket when the defense starts playing for the jump shot.

Seton Hall's coach, P. J. Carlesimo, was an assistant coach with the U.S. team, and he would spot Karnishovas from afar, "Not that often, actually," Carlesimo said drily. "We didn't stay in the Olympic Vil-

the way they used him. They used him as a small forward. He played with Sarunas and be played against Barkley. It was like a whole other year for him."

where Karnishovas's father now owns and operates a food market. Both parents are trying to forge a more useful life since the freedom from their good friends from the other Big East.

The breakup of the Soviet Union led directly to a Lithuanian national team and sent a virtually new player back to New Jersey after his summer vacation.

#### Carlesimo added: "They helped us a lot. ENSE 1

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Chased me all the way to the bank door, he did. Waving papers at me. Shouting, "Take it, take it! There's plenty more where this comes from!" I refused. I'd based my entire life on three great principles, one of which was to live so that I should never need \$8 million. As a result, I was worth little more than a pittance and reminded my banker of the fact, hoping to persuade him it would be madness to lend me \$8 million. It didn't. "It's only money," he ex-

"No it's not," I protested. "It's a promise by a man with only a pit-tance to pay \$8 million plus interest, starting the instant those papers are signed." "Not if you skip to Brazil,"

He was a nice banker. He could have easily pinned me to the bank floor and lent me the \$8 million. He didn't do that, though. He let me off without a loan.

The tear stains on the bank statement made me want to repay his kindness. To the bank I went, saying, "I want to see my banker, so I can buck him up."

A Convenience Person stopped

#### Paris Opéra Embezzlement The Associated Press

PARIS - Six million francs (about \$1.05 million) has disappeared from the the Paris Opera, Officials are investigating on the assumption the thef! was an inside job carried out over a period of six months, a spokeswoman said. The overall budget of the Paris Opera - including the Palais Garnier, now a showcase for dance, and the Bastille Opera - was 781 million

me at the door. "What is a Convenience Person?" I wanted to know, not having previously heard of Convenience Persons, much less encountered them at bank doors.

"A Convenience Person is a person posted at this door for your convenience," she said, adding that By Russell Baker for the convenience of bucking up

N EW YORK — Dried tears

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Content I beam the healt are pay 33 customers with new charges to recover losses on its \$8 million loans, so I naturally expected a charge for the right to buck up my banker, but I was amazed they would let me do it for a mere 33 cents.

> My banker didn't recognize me. I tried to remind him who I was. You're telling me you refused to take \$8 million and skip 10 Brazil?" be said. "Incredible!" Then: "That gives me a great idea! Starting next month customers too dim to skip to Brazil will get socked with a new failure-to-skip charge."

It was wonderful to see him smile. "You're oot thinking big enough." I said. "Why are you paying 2 percent interest on deposits? Instead of paying the customers 2 percent you ought to be charging them 2 percent for letting their money use your bank."

He seemed doubtful. While the customers whined about receiving only 2 percent interest, making them pay 2 percent interest might start them complaining that 2 percent was an outrageously high rate to pay for just having their money comfortably housed.

"Of course it is," I said, "and you must make them see that their money is not being comfortably housed like a bunch of spoiled, idle college kids. You must make people see that their money is being put to good, honest, profitable work. People will love the idea of hard-working mon-cy. Charge them 2 percent for the right to come to the bank and watch

their money at work." "The money doesn't work at the bank," said the banker. "It goes out

"All the better," I said. "You can make customers pay a bomecoming charge to visit the bank every evening and enjoy the satisfying spec-tacle of seeing their money trudge bome after a hard day of toil,"

# **Creative Disorder** At Bonn's Opera

By Craig R. Whitney
New York Times Service

B ONN — To enliven the opera house in this sleepy soon-to-be-ex-capital on the Rhine, the city fathers decided to take the risk of hiring someone who would bring creative disorder to the job. So far, Giancarlo del Monaco has delivered in

Since taking on the \$250,000-a-year job of general director of the Bonn Opera in August, del Monaco, 49, has overspent his budget by \$2.4 million, received a formal reprimand from the city council, been placed under investigation by the local district attorney for possible breach of trust, and staged two provocative new pro-ductions — Weber's "Freischütz" and

In the first performance here of the Verdi, the soprano Larisa Shevchenko took a heavy fall, as del Monaco's stage directions for Desdemona ordered, and broke her wrist in six places. She bravely got through the last act anyway, earning heavy applanse, but then had to go to a

Del Monaco, a fiery and outspoken character who goes nowhere without his English buildog Sir John, said she had been magnificent; about himself, he doesn't seem to be worried, or to have any

regrets about taking the job.
"My contract runs until 2000," he said in his office in the renovated Bonn opera house the other day, dismissing German bureaucratic perfectionism and the provincialism of city politics with a wave of his Havana cigar. "But the Germans were nicer when they were smaller." Baron Hans-Jochem von Uslar-Glei-

chen, the city administrator who brought del Monaco here from Kassel, where an equally stormy tenure was cut short after two years, also said he had had no second

"We wanted somebody who would take artistic risks, and he is of course hard to bandle," the baron said. "I always knew there'd be a problem with money, because be isn't a natural manager. He engaged more talent than be had money for, and now he'll just have to pay back the money from his budget, about a million marks [\$600,000] a year over the next four years." It isn't clear to anyone, least of all del Monaco, just how be can squeeze a total of

\$2.5 million from his budget and still carry

out obligations he has already made to stars like Plácido Domingo and René Kollo. Kollo appeared in the "Freischütz"

Though del Monaco's late father, Mario, was a famous Otello, the son is well known bere for his avant-garde reinterpretations of the classic. In this production, he has transplanted a replica of the dome of Saint Mark's Cathedral from Venice to Cyprus, where it lies in ruins after apparently having been bombarded by the

Del Monaco said his choice of "Otello" to reopen Bonn's opera house last month, after renovation and expansion were completed, was a response to attacks on foreign workers and refugess by rightists ex-

"I had racism and intolerance in mind," the explained. In this staging of the opera, the Moor, sickened by what the scheming lago and other Europeans have done to him, appears in African costume in the last act. Del Monaco would like the audience to believe that after Otello stabs himself he stumbles off in the direction of his native land to die.

There were a few boos at the end of the "Otello" premiere from a Bonn audience that likes more traditional stagings, but del Monaco took them in good bumor. He recalled a conversation with Götz Friedrich, the well-known producer at the Komische Oper in Berlin, who told him, Giancarlo, if you aren't booed, ask yourself what you're doing wrong."

Curiosity about the "Freischütz" production centered on the set by Werner Tübke, who is best known for a vast socialist-realism panorama of a 16th-century farmers' uprising that was commissioned by the Communist East German regime. Tübke and his assistants worked for two

years on the scenery, and the painter and his work got the only enthusiastic ovation at the premiere, while both Kollo and Dennis Russell Davies, who conducted, got boos.

Bonn is fighting hard against the politi-cal decision, made in 1991, to make Berlin the capital of the united Germany, though the government appears unlikely to move much before the end of the century. The budget for the Bonn Opera alone is \$32 million a year, much of it provided by the federal government; Bonn's cultural subsidies seem certain to be reduced when the government moves to Berlin.

Der Spiegel, the national weekly news magazine, recently allowed itself to doubt whether Bonn's ambitions for its opera



Giancarlo del Monaco in front of a set for his production of "Der Freischütz."

were realistic and whether del Monaco had the financial or political finesse to make them come true.

Bonn's orchestra, as well, has an ambitions artistic director in Davies, who also conducts the Brooklyn Philharmonic and the American Composers Orchestra in New York City. Here in Beethoven's birthplace, Davies gives Bonn audiences at the Beethovenhalle regular doses of avantgarde music. He, too, was criticized by the city council for overspending on this year's Beethoven Festival budget by more than

But both del Monaco and Davies continue to have full backing from the city authorities for everything they want to do, which includes commissions for a series of short operas to be produced in the museum of modern art that opened in Bonn last

The intrigues continue, as if there were a real-life lago somewhere in the bowels of the opera house. A letter purportedly signed by del Monaco's principal deputy, Reinhard Beuth, suggesting that Beuth would be glad to take over if the city anthorities tired of his boss, recently surfaced in the newspapers.

Beuth, who seemed on excellent terms

with the director in his office a few days earlier, denied having written it and threatened legal action against whoever

#### PEOPLE

British TV Backs Off Nude Sketches of Diana

Drawings depicting Princess Diana in the mode will be dropped from a TV program after two of the pictures were published on the front of the Sun newspaper. One sketch is of Diana wearing only her tiara, a Umon Jack G-string and a pair of royal crests on her breasts. Outrageous," the caption read. Channel 4 said the pictures would not be used in the "World Without Walls" program, but a picture showing the princess in sexy underwear would be. The channel decided that the other pictures were "inappropriate and unnecessary to get over the message of the program": that Diana has changed from fairy-tale princess to smoldering sex symbol. . . The Tailer society magazine is offering odds on possible suitors for Princess Diana, should she and Prince Charles eventually divorce. Joint favorites in the remarriage stakes at 4-9 are John F. Kennedy Jr. ap Prince Pierre d'Arenberg, whose as cestors are descended from the Belgian royal family.

V. S. Naipsul has won the David Cohen British Literature Prize, a new award of £30,000 (\$43,000), "in recognition of a lifetime's achievement." Naipaul, who was knighted in 1990, won the Booker Prize in 1971 for "In a Free State." The biennial prize, Britain's biggest literary award in money terms, is sponsored by the Arts Council

Pat Nixon spent her 81st birth-day at home in New Jersey with family, but the Richard Nixon Library and Birthplace in Yorba Linda California celebrated in a big way. In addition to free admission on Tuesday, the library offered the first 200 visitors a piece of birthday cake. The first 50 visitors got a copy of "Pat Nixon: The Untold Story."

President Bill Clinton and daughter Chelsen dined with the actors Paul Newman, Jounne Woodward, Tim Robbins and a few friends at a pricey Washington restaurant. Hilpart in a health-care forum, missed out on the dinner at Galileo.

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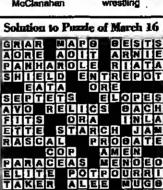
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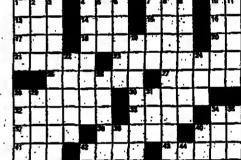
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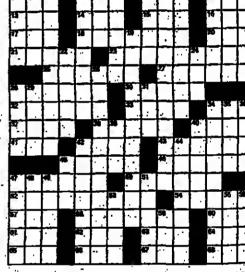
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#### **BOOKS**

#### A FIERCE GREEN FIRE: The American Environmental Movement

By Philip Shabecoff. 352 pages. \$25. Hill and Wang.

The False Prophets of Ecological Doom

By Ronald Bailey. 228 pages. \$19.95. St. Martin's Press. Reviewed by Bill Gifford

E NVIRONMENTALISM is at ungraspable of all isms. Under its rubric arise some of the most potent, divisive issues in American politics since the Civil War. Like the Civil War, environmental conflicts boil down to economic ones.

themselves "environmentalists." as I am sure the authors of these two very different books would. Far from being a single, coherent

ideology, environmentalism is a "box' into which an astonishingly broad range of political thought can fit," writes Philip Shabecoff in his history of the American environmental movement. While today that movement is dominated by liberals, such founding figures as Aldo Leopold and John Muir were conservatives in a classical sense: They sought to conserve resources and opposed government-funded infrastructure such as dams.

This strain of American though rooted in the myth of a pristi continent, before the arrival of European settlers. Shabecoff goes back to that pristine state, but his

covered environmental issues for The New York Times for 14 years; now the publisher of an environmental news service, he insults the reader with flaccid analysis and

bland advocacy. Next to his tepid stuff, Ronald Bailey's slashing attack on apocalyptic environmentalists clearly esblishes him as the preferable drinking companion. Armed only with a withering contrarianism and the work of a few skeptical scientists, Bailey tears into a half-dozen faddisb theories of ecological doom, from the Ice Age fears of two decades ago to today's angst over global warming. Bailey neatly skewers global-warming gadfly Stephen Schneider upon his own past as a proponent of "global

His prime target is Paul Ehrlich.

end is nigh, whom he places (along with Ehrlich's fellow squarely in Richard Hofstadter's everything green. He rather indis-criminately labels moderate greens like Al Gore and the Environmen-tal Defense Fund as shock troops

talism, particularly our rigid, unenforceable environmental protection laws; Bailey makes a Post.

air and in protecting our species — just as Shabecoff skims over its

Yet often both sides proclaim a pacan to environmentalists. He author of "The Population Bomb" few (his study was funded by a and perennial proclaimer that the libertarian foundation). But for the most part, he wields his Weed Whacker against the leral fringes of green thought. Characters like Ehrparanoid tradition of American behand Jeremy Rifkin and "Limits politics. But Bailey belongs there as to Growth" author Donella Mead-well, for, like a man who is color-ows still make headlines from time blind, be sees a new Red menace in to time, but their credibility has

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